



ST PATRICK'S, ST JOHN VIANNEY'S, STELLA MARIS & ST JOSEPH'S

Partnered Parishes of Mentone-Parkdale and Ricketts Point (Beaumaris & Black Rock)

THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS – 14th September 2025

St Patrick's, 10 Rogers St, Mentone
St John Vianney's, Cnr Warren Rd & Brisbane Tce, Parkdale
Stella Maris, 2 Charlotte Rd, Beaumaris
St Joseph's, 542 Balcombe Rd, Black Rock

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm (Mentone)
Sunday: 8:00am (Black Rock)
Sunday: 9:00am (Parkdale)
Sunday: 9:30am (Ordinariate Mass) (Mentone)
Sunday: 10:30am (Beaumaris)
Sunday: 11:00am (Mentone)
Sunday: 5:00pm (Mentone)

Welcome, Archbishop Peter!

Our Partnered Parishes rejoice at the pastoral visit of our Shepherd of the Church in Melbourne. We look forward to praying and being together, sharing our parish life with you, and listening to your guidance for our Christian life and mission at this time.

Saint Carlo Acutis St Pier Giorgio Frassati

Last Sunday 7th September, the Holy Father Pope Leo XIV, pronouncing the following words in Latin, infallibly 'declared and defined' that Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati are truly Saints in heaven:

*'For the honour of the Holy and Undivided Trinity,
for the exaltation of the Catholic faith
and the increase of the Christian life,
by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ,
of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul and Our own,
after due deliberation and frequent prayer for divine assistance,
and having sought the counsel of many of our brother Bishops,
we declare and define*

*Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati and Carlo Acutis to be Saints
and we inscribe them in the Catalogue of the Saints,
decreeing that they are to be devoutly honoured
among the Saints in the universal Church.
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.'*

*With the whole Church we rejoice and praise God,
and we ask the intercession of our new Saints:*

*Saint Carlo Acutis, pray for us!
Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati, pray for us!*

Archbishop Peter is celebrating the following weekend Masses:

6:00 pm Vigil, St Patrick's
(Dinner with young adults following)

8:00 am Sunday, St Joseph's

10:30 am Sunday, Stella Maris
(Morning tea with parishioners following)

Priestly Ordinations

We keep in our prayers Deacons of the Archdiocese, Rev. Joshua McDermid, Rev. Tuong Nguyen and Rev. Ian Vergel who will be ordained to the Priesthood by Archbishop Peter Comensoli this Saturday, 20th September, at 10:00am, at St Patrick's Cathedral.

No Mass or Confessions at St Patrick's Mentone this Saturday morning, on account of the Ordination Mass at the Cathedral. Mass, Confessions and Benediction at Stella Maris as normal.

Parish Priest: Rev Fr Justin Ford **Assistant Priest:** Rev Fr Joseph Nguyen

Presbytery: 10 Rogers St, Mentone 3194 **Office:** 3 Mitchell St, Mentone 3194 **Office hours:** 9am-5pm, Monday - Thursday.

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon 15th Sept	Memorial: Our Lady of Sorrows 11:00am (<i>Mentone</i>)
Tue 16th Sept	Memorial: Sts Cornelius and Cyprian 9:15am (<i>Mentone</i>)
Wed 17th Sept	9:15am (<i>Mentone & Black Rock</i>)
Thu 18th Sept	9:15am (<i>Mentone & Beaumaris</i>)
Fri 19th Sept	9:15am (<i>Mentone & Black Rock</i>)
Sat 20th Sept	Memorial: Sts Andrew Kim-Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and companions. 9:15am (<i>Beaumaris</i>) No Mass or Confessions at Mentone on Saturday morning this week.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
at St Patrick's Mentone**
every Friday following 9:15am Mass
until 4:30pm **Benediction.**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
at Stella Maris Beaumaris**
every Saturday 9:45-10:15am.

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

Wednesdays following 9:15am Mass (*Mentone*),
Saturdays following 9:15am Mass
(*Beaumaris only — not at Mentone, this week only*)
and at 5:15pm (*Mentone*).

Baptisms:

For bookings and enquiries please
phone the Parish office 9583 2103
or email mentoneparkdaleeast@cam.org.au



Recently Deceased:

Elizabeth Anne Docker

Anniversaries:

Cesar Diaz, Mary Carroll, Ronnie & Jack Carroll,
Bridget Heffernan, Ted Dillon, Patricia Nelson,
Antoinette Freris, Liz Freeman, Claude & Mary Cullen

We pray for those who are sick:

Joan Pobjoy, Angela Iorianni, Mary Taylor, Max Byers,
Janis Williams, Alan Laver, Ching Price, Delia Fisher,
Jim Lacey, John Nicholson, Mirella Townsend,
Margaret Rose Durston, Michael Papworth,
Joyce Woodward

BANKING DETAILS

For direct credit to Parish accounts-

Presbytery account:	083347 6808 76937
Mentone-Parkdale - Church account:	083347 6815 62913
Nazareth Parish - Church account:	083347 6864 78067

ROSTERS 20/21 September 2025

St Patrick's - Mentone

6:00pm	Commentator/Reader	J Renden
	Extraordinary Minister	P Mount
11:00am	Commentator/Reader	A Earle
	Extraordinary Minister	S Mathias
5:00pm	Commentator/Reader	J Hughes
	Extraordinary Minister	C Giosis

St Joseph's - Black Rock

8:00am	Reader	L Brick
	Commentator	J Shannon
	Extraordinary Minister	E de Corrado

St John Vianney's - Parkdale

9:00am	Reader	G Shea
	Commentator	R Tregonning
	Extraordinary Minister	D Kidner
	Extraordinary Minister to the sick	D Kidner
	Flowers	A Berghella
	Pilgrim Statue	M Jensen

Stella Maris - Beaumaris

10:30am	Reader	E Moews
	Commentator	G Stockdale
	Extraordinary Minister	Sr Patricia

Readings next week: 25th Sunday Ordinary Time yr C

Amos:	8: 4-7
Timothy:	2: 1-8
Luke:	16: 1-13

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Our next **BIBLE STUDY** will be
next **Friday 19th September.**

6:30 - 7:30pm, **Parish Centre**, 3 Mitchell St
Mentone. BYO snacks (optional). Contact Casey or
Emily stpatrickbsg@gmail.com - **0424 397 022.**

Feast of the Lord of Huanca

The feast of The Lord of Huanca is held on 14th
September. It is said that when Jesus appeared in a cave
to Diego Quispe, his story inspired one of the best
painters of the time to reproduce the image on the where
the miracle took place. Every year, on September 14th,
the faithful arrive by the tens of thousands from all over
Peru , Argentina, Paraguay, Chile and Bolivia in search of
cures for their physical and spiritual afflictions. (cf. Pope
St John Paul II, *Homily in Cusco, Peru* 3/2/1985)

Nearby, is a small chapel devoted to the **Virgin of the
Rosary** situated on the hillside directly across from The
Lord of Huanca, celebrated every October 7th.

*Our Parishes are committed to the safety, well-being and dignity
of all persons. A copy of our Child Safety policy is on the
noticeboard in our churches and on our website www.sspjv.org*

***On this Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross we reflect on the meaning of the Cross
in the salvation of the world, as taught by the 'Catechism of the Catholic Church'.***

Christ's death is the unique and definitive sacrifice

613 Christ's death is both the *Paschal sacrifice* that accomplishes the definitive redemption of men, through "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world", and the *sacrifice of the New Covenant*, which restores man to communion with God by reconciling him to God through the "blood of the covenant, which was poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins".

614 This sacrifice of Christ is unique; it completes and surpasses all other sacrifices. First, it is a gift from God the Father himself, for the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself. At the same time it is the offering of the Son of God made man, who in freedom and love offered his life to his Father through the Holy Spirit in reparation for our disobedience.

Jesus consummates his sacrifice on the cross

616 It is love "to the end" that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction. He knew and loved us all when he offered his life. Now "the love of Christ controls us, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died." No man, not even the holiest, was ever able to take on himself the sins of all men and offer himself as a sacrifice for all. The existence in Christ of the divine person of the Son, who at once surpasses and

embraces all human persons, and constitutes himself as the Head of all mankind, makes possible his redemptive sacrifice for all.

617 The Council of Trent emphasizes the unique character of Christ's sacrifice as "the source of eternal salvation" and teaches that "his most holy Passion on the wood of the cross merited justification for us." And the Church venerates his cross as she sings: "Hail, O Cross, our only hope."

Our participation in Christ's sacrifice

618 The cross is the unique sacrifice of Christ, the "one mediator between God and men". But because in his incarnate divine person he has in some way united himself to every man, "the possibility of being made partners, in a way known to God, in the paschal mystery" is offered to all men. He calls his disciples to "take up [their] cross and follow [him]", for "Christ also suffered for [us], leaving [us] an example so that [we] should follow in his steps." In fact Jesus desires to associate with his redeeming sacrifice those who were to be its first beneficiaries. This is achieved supremely in the case of his mother, who was associated more intimately than any other person in the mystery of his redemptive suffering.

*'Apart from the cross there is no other ladder
by which we may get to heaven.'*
(St Rose of Lima)

Safeguarding Sunday

Concluding National Child Protection Week, we pause to focus on our responsibility to protect and care for those who are vulnerable. In the Bible, we find a clear and strong message about justice, compassion, and speaking up for those who cannot speak for themselves. As the Body of Christ, we are all called to ensure that the Church is always safe, welcoming and hope-filled.

In our everyday lives, let us be mindful of those around us who are vulnerable or marginalised. Who are the "silent" ones in our society, the ones without a voice? Today, God may be calling you to stand up for them. Whether it is through prayer, support, or direct action, we are invited to participate in His work of justice.

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

This feast falls on 14th September every year. As a 'Feast of the Lord', when it falls on Sunday it replaces the Sunday in Ordinary Time. It commemorates the dedication (13/14 September 335) of the two churches built on the site of the Holy Sepulchre by Constantine the Great, the first Roman Emperor to become Christian. Soon after, the annual feast began to be celebrated.

There is a tradition (first mentioned by St Cyril of Jerusalem in 348) that Constantine's mother, St Helena, had gone on pilgrimage to Jerusalem and found the True Cross at this location in 326. This is what inspired Constantine to construct the basilicas.

The story is told that three crosses were found (belonging to Jesus and the two thieves). The True Cross was identified among the three, (in one version of the story) because Pilate's inscription *Iesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum* ("Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews") (often abbreviated INRI in art) remained attached to the Cross; or (in another version) because touching the true Cross restored a dying woman to health (or, in a variant, a dead man to life).

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HYMNS:

Mentone 6:00pm Saturday Choral Mass

Mass Setting: St Anne Mass

Entrance Antiphon: *We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered* - Gregorian chant

Offertory: Motet: *Adoramus te Christe* - Palestrina

Communion: Motet: *Crux Fidelis* - Juan IV de Portugal
324 The Lord is Now Exalted

Recessional: 329 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Postlude: *Fugue in D minor BWV 565* - J. S. Bach

Parkdale 9:00am Sunday

Mentone 11:00am & 5:00pm Sunday

Mass Setting: St Anne Mass

Entrance: 310 The Glory of The Cross We Sing

Offertory: *O Mensch, beweine deine Sünde groß*
BWV 622 - J. S. Bach

Communion: 324 The Lord is Now Exalted

Recessional: 329 When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

Postlude: *Fugue in D minor BWV 565* - J. S. Bach

Black Rock 8:00am Sunday

Entrance: 703 Hail Redeemer

Offertory: 862 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Communion: 811 Soul of My Saviour

Recessional: 741 Lord Whose Love In Humble Service

Beaumaris 10:30am Sunday

Entrance: Hail Redeemer

Offertory: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Communion: In Christ Alone

Recessional: Lord Whose Love in Humble Service



Responsorial Psalm: Do not forget the works of the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you, because by your cross you have redeemed the world. Alleluia!

Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

SAINT CARLO ACUTIS is coming to us!

First-class Relic of Carlo Acutis & his International
Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles.

Stella Maris Catholic Church

For more information scan QR Code:



12th-26th
October

St Patrick's Young Catholics Gathering - next Sunday 21st September

Meeting for Adoration following 5:00pm Mass, in St Patrick's Catholic Parish Centre, 3 Mitchell St, Mentone (enter via the gate next to the church). More info, any questions: stpatrickycg@gmail.com

BAKERS WANTED!!!

Do you have the best lemon tart in the parish? Or maybe your lamingtons are second-to-none? If so - we need your help!

The ACYF pilgrims are hosting a fundraising bake sale on the **5th October** at **St. Patrick's Parish Centre** and are looking for bakers willing to donate baked goods and to assist with the sale on the day.

To register your interest please sign up by registering via the QR code or by contacting Emily on 0490 345 074.

Further details will be provided upon registration.

