

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

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

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST – 22nd June 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)

'This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you...' (1 Cor 11:23)

These words of St Paul from our second reading remind us that the Eucharist is a *gift received*, which we must faithfully 'pass on'. Clearly this is so with our Eucharistic *faith* — as with every part of the message God has spoken to humanity, our duty is to hand on exactly the truth we have received, not to alter it to supposedly suit our hearers or our times.

But something similar is also true with our Eucharistic practices. This goes without saying for the very essentials of the Mass, which come from Christ himself. But in a certain way, the same is also true for the different liturgical traditions the Holy Spirit has inspired in the Church over the centuries. Faithful preservation of these traditions (while harmoniously developing them as appropriate) is one of the guiding principles for the Pope and Bishops as they set forth the laws governing the Liturgy.

Other essential principles are doctrinal truth ('the law of prayer is the law of belief' is a famous maxim); enhancement of prayer and spiritual participation; and liturgical beauty, which should reflect divine beauty. Pope Francis proclaimed: 'The Church evangelises and is herself evangelised through the beauty of the liturgy.' (Evangelii Gaudium 24)

For us who receive laws from Church authority, our first guiding principle is simply obedience. Of course that is only a start, the 'skeleton' of good and prayerful Liturgy — but it is a necessary start. In the first place (as infallibly taught by Vatican I and reaffirmed at Vatican II) obedience to the Pope is the moral obligation of all Catholics; priests are further bound in virtue of the solemn oaths taken at ordination.

A further benefit of this obedience is our enhanced awareness that Liturgy is not something we casually create ourselves. In essence it is a gift transcending human power, coming 'from above'. We are called to worship God in the way he wills, not by our own personal tastes: we are not the ones being worshipped. True, God does not need our worship – but he knows what we need, and how we need to be formed, in order to be in right relationship with him.

Vatican II taught that liturgical regulation depends only on the Church's authority, so 'no other person, not even a priest, may add, remove, or change anything in the Liturgy on his own authority.' (Sacrosanctum Concilium 22; cf. Code of Canon Law Canon 846.1) Liturgical obedience is therefore crucial.

'I consider it my duty', St John Paul II said, 'to appeal urgently that the liturgical norms for the celebration of the Eucharist be observed with great fidelity...Liturgy is never anyone's private property, be it of the celebrant or of the community in which the mysteries are celebrated...

'Priests who faithfully celebrate Mass according to the liturgical norms, and communities which conform to those norms, quietly but eloquently demonstrate their love for the Church...No one is permitted to undervalue the mystery entrusted to our hands: it is too great for anyone to feel free to treat it lightly and with disregard for its sacredness.' (Pope St John Paul II, Encyclical Letter *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* (2003) 52)

Pope Francis re-stated the binding force of Church law: 'The Church has established from apostolic times laws and rules of conduct that down the centuries took shape as a cohesive body of binding norms safeguarding the unity of God's People. Bishops are responsible for ensuring that [cont. p. 3]

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon 23rd June 11:00am (Mentone)

Tue 24th June The Nativity of St John The Baptist

9:15am (Mentone) (School Mass)

Wed 25th June 9:15am (Mentone & Black Rock)

Thu 26th June 9:15am (Mentone)

9:15am (Parkdale) (School Mass)

No Mass at Beaumaris today

Fri 27th June The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:15am (Mentone & Black Rock)

Sat 28th June The Immaculate Heart of Mary

9:15am (Mentone & Beaumaris)

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

(Mentone & Beaumaris) and at 5:15pm (Mentone).

Baptisms:

For bookings and enquiries please phone 9583 2103



or email mentoneparkdaleeast@cam.org.au

Anniversaries:

Jean Dillon

We pray for those who are sick:

Patricia Hood, Val Phelan, Janis Williams, Delia Fisher, Sr Elizabeth Browne-Russell, Ching Price, Tim Noonan, Max Byers, Jim Lacey, Dorothy Ritchie, John Nicholson, John O'Donoghue, Michael Kuilboer, Mirella Townsend, Margaret Rose Durston, Alan Laver, Michael Papworth, Carol Camerino, Leticia Veridiano

*Please note, names added to the prayer list will remain for four weeks then removed. If any name needs to be added or removed, please ring or email the Parish office.

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

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

ROSTERS 28/29 June 2025

St Patrick's - Mentone		
6:00pm	Commentator/Reader	J Dillon
	Extraordinary Minister	T Dillon
11:00am	Commentator/Reader	S Mathias
	Extraordinary Minister	S Tobin
5:00pm	Commentator/Reader	J Renden
	Extraordinary Minister	A Moore
St Joseph's - Black Rock		

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8:00am Reader J Shannon
Commentator L Brick
Extraordinary Minister J Short

St John Vianney's - Parkdale

9:00am Reader B Fitchet
Commentator C Beck
Extraordinary Minister R Tregonning
Extraordinary Minister to the sick D KIdner
Flowers B McCann
Pilgrim Statue G Shea

Stella Maris - Beaumaris

10:30amReaderG BlackmanCommentatorM KhongExtraordinary MinisterH Grahame

Readings next week: Solemnity of Sts Peter & Paul

Acts: 12: 1-11 2 Timothy: 4: 6-8, 17-18 Matthew: 16: 13-19

This week only: no 9:15am Thursday Mass at Stella Maris.

Special Third Collection *next* weekend: Peter's Pence - for the Holy Father

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal today



With Fr Justin absent from the parish on the Legion of Mary Jubilee Pilgrimage, Fr Ramsay Williams will celebrate our 9:00 Mass at St John Vianney's and our 11:00 Mass at St Patrick's today.

KSC Mentone Monthly Meetings.

7pm on the first Monday of each month in St Patrick's Parish Centre, next meeting **7th July**. Catholic men who are interested in the work of the Knights are most welcome to attend.

MenALIVE Mentone Monthly meetings.

6:30pm on the 1st Wednesday monthly in the Parish Centre at Mentone. Next meeting **2nd July**. Catholic men interested in scripture are most welcome.

[cont. from p. 1] these rules be obeyed.' (Pascite Gregem Dei)

'I am saddened by abuses in the celebration of the liturgy on all sides. In common with Benedict XVI, I deplore the fact that "in many places the prescriptions of the new Missal are not observed in celebration, but indeed come to be interpreted as an authorisation for or even a requirement of creativity, which leads to almost unbearable distortions"... I ask [all bishops] to be vigilant in ensuring that every liturgy be celebrated with decorum and fidelity to the liturgical books promulgated after Vatican Council II, without the eccentricities that can easily degenerate into abuses.' (Pope Francis Letter to the Bishops of the Whole World (2021))

True, a Church law, depending on its importance, may be set aside in exceptional circumstances when its observance would actually be harmful or impractical, such that the lawgiver himself would surely not want the letter of the law to be followed if he knew the circumstances. (If possible, a dispensation by Church authority should be sought.)

Absolute rigidity in human laws is not the mind of the Church. St Thomas Aquinas explained this principle, called *epikeia*, (*Summa Theologiae* la-llae 96, 6; lla-llae 120, 1) and we see it in Jesus' own example. However, this does not mean that laws can be set aside just because 'it seems good to us to do so'. The normal presumption, also deriving from Jesus, is that obedience to Church law is obedience to God.

We should not judge lightly that a priest is breaking liturgical law, since the law itself contains options and exceptions of which not all are aware. However, as Pope John Paul explained, 'especially in the years following the post-conciliar liturgical reform, as a result of a misguided sense of creativity and adaptation there have been a number of abuses which have been a source of suffering for many. A certain reaction against "formalism"...[led some to consider] the "forms" chosen by the Church's great liturgical tradition and her Magisterium as non-binding and to introduce unauthorised innovations which are often completely inappropriate.' (Ecclesia de Eucharistia 52)

To resolve this crisis of disobedience to liturgical law and distortion of the Sacred Liturgy, St John Paul ordered the publication of the Instruction *Redemptionis Sacramentum* (2004). In 186 sections, liturgical abuse and irreverence are detailed and denounced, among which 32 abuses are specifically listed as grave matters (172-73). Other violations also are 'not to be considered of little account, but are to be numbered among the other abuses to be carefully avoided and corrected.' (174)

In recent years, a culture of liturgical fidelity has revived and spread. As this continues, the Church's vision of renewed right worship of the God of infinite majesty will be fulfilled.

'Redemptionis Sacramentum': Faithful Liturgy

'It is not possible to be silent about the abuses, even quite grave ones, against the nature of the Liturgy and the Sacraments as well as the tradition and the authority of the Church, which in our day not infrequently plague liturgical celebrations...In some places the perpetration of liturgical abuses has become almost habitual, a fact which obviously cannot be allowed and must cease.' (4)

'Nor do such actions serve authentic pastoral care or proper liturgical renewal; instead, they deprive Christ's faithful of their patrimony and their heritage... they introduce elements of distortion and disharmony into the very celebration of the Eucharist...The result is uncertainty in matters of doctrine, perplexity and scandal on the part of the People of God.' (11)

'Not infrequently, abuses are rooted in a false understanding of liberty. Yet God has not granted us in Christ an illusory liberty by which we may do what we wish, but a liberty by which we may do that which is fitting and right.' (7)

'The reprobated practice by which Priests, Deacons or the faithful here and there alter or vary at will the texts of the Sacred Liturgy that they are charged to pronounce, must cease.' (59)

'The observance of the norms published by the authority of the Church requires conformity of thought and of word, of external action and of the application of the heart...

The liturgical words and rites...are a faithful expression, matured over the centuries, of the understanding of Christ, ...they teach us to think as he himself does; by conforming our minds to these words, we raise our hearts to the Lord. (5)

'It is the right of all of Christ's faithful that the Liturgy... should truly be as the Church wishes...Likewise, the Catholic people have the right that the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass should be celebrated for them...according to the entire doctrine of the Church's Magisterium.' (12)

'In an altogether particular manner, let everyone do all that is in their power to ensure that the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist will be protected from any and every irreverence or distortion and that all abuses be thoroughly corrected. This is a most serious duty incumbent upon each and every one.' (183)

'Let Bishops, Priests and Deacons...examine their consciences as regards the authenticity and fidelity of the actions they have performed in the name of Christ and the Church in the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. Let each one of the sacred ministers ask himself, even with severity, whether he has respected the rights of the lay members of Christ's faithful...For each one should always remember that he is a servant of the Sacred Liturgy.' (186)

'This Instruction, prepared by mandate of the Supreme Pontiff John Paul II was approved by the same Pontiff on 19 March 2004, and he ordered it to be published and to be observed immediately by all concerned.'

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HYMNS:

Mentone 6:00pm Vigil Saturday

Parkdale 9:00am Sunday
Mentone 5:00pm Sunday
Mass Setting: Connolly Mass

Entrance: 651 You Satisfy The Hungry Heart **Sequence:** 395 See, The Bread of Angels Given

Offertory: 309 An Upper Room
Communion: 533 Let All Mortal Flesh

Recessional: 485 Father, We Give You Thanks

Mentone 11:00am Sunday Choral Mass

Mass Setting: Connolly Mass

Entrance: 651 You Satisfy The Hungry Heart **Sequence:** 395 See, The Bread of Angels Given

Offertory: Motet: Verily, verily I say unto you - T. Tallis
Communion: Motet: O sacrum convivium - R. Remondi

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533 Let All Mortal Flesh

Recessional: 485 Father, We Give You Thanks

Responsorial Psalm: You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;

whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

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



St Vincent de Paul Society

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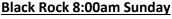
2025 WINTER APPEAL - this weekend

This year, the spotlight is on "breaking the cycle of homelessness". Despite having jobs, many Australians can't afford housing due to rising costs and limited affordable rentals. Shockingly, the percentage of affordable rentals for a person on minimum wage has dropped to below 1% in Australia. The Winter Appeal plays a vital role in enabling the good works of the Society and, with your support, we hope to achieve a strong result so we can continue serving the community.

DONATION OPTIONS

- 1) Via the THIRD COLLECTION at Masses on the 21st and 22nd of June. Envelopes may be available at Masses. You can write Beaumaris/Black Rock, Parkdale East or Mentone Conference on the envelope to direct your donation.
- 2) Online at <u>donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal</u> and selecting the Beaumaris/Black Rock, Parkdale East or Mentone Conference.
- 3) By calling 13 18 12 and selecting the Beaumaris/Black Rock, Parkdale East or Mentone Conference.

Our three local Conferences thank each and every one of our wonderful parishioners for your ongoing support and prayers. Together we can MAKE A DIFFERENCE and help those in need in OUR COMMUNITY.



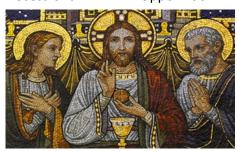
Entrance: 619 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus
Offertory: 718 I Am The Bread of Life
Communion: 833 The Lord's My Shepherd

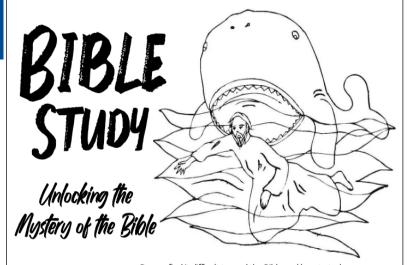
Recessional: 620 An Upper Room

Beaumaris 10:30am Sunday

Entrance: Alleluia, Sing to Jesus
Offertory: I Am The Bread Of Life
Communion: The Lord's My Shepherd

Recessional: An Upper Room







Do you find it difficult to read the Bible and long to truly know who God is?

The Bible may feel like a mystery, but with the right keys, you can unlock its meaning and discover the heart of its divine Author. Through our group study, we will uncover God's marvelous plan of salvation as it unfolds through the "big picture" of Sacred Scripture.

Join us on a journey through salvation history to discover a newfound understanding of God's Word.

Where: Parish Centre, behind the church, entrance 3 Mitchell St, Mentone

When: 6:30PM to 7:30PM Fridays from July 4th

How often? Every fortnight for 8 sessions until October 10th

on/ much? Free – BYO snacks (optional)

How to Join? You may use the QR code or contact Casey/Emily on stpatrickbsg@gmail.com or 04 2439 7022