



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

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

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 27th July 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*)

Our readings today speak of the importance and power of prayer, especially prayer of petition and prayer of intercession for others. To inspire us further, and to enhance our practice of prayer, here are some quotes from the saints on this life-blood of our relationship with God:

Prayer is the place of refuge for every worry, a foundation for cheerfulness, a source of constant happiness, a protection against sadness. ***St John Chrysostom***

In whatever state the soul may be, it ought to pray. There is no soul which is not bound to pray, for every single grace comes to the soul through prayer. ***St Faustina***

It is simply impossible to lead, without the aid of prayer, a virtuous life. ***St John Chrysostom***

Those who pray will be saved and those who do not will be damned. ***St Alphonsus Liguori***

He who prays most receives most. ***St Alphonsus Liguori***

In order to succeed in it (prayer), it should be done when we first awaken, when our whole being is calm and recollected. We need to make our meditation before anything else. ***St Peter Julian Eymard***

You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, 'Lord, I don't know how to pray!' you can be sure you have already begun.

St Josemaria Escriva

There is no danger if our prayer is without words or reflection because the good success of prayer depends neither on words nor on study. It depends upon the simple raising of our minds to God, and the more simple and stripped of feeling it is, the surer it is.

St Jane Frances de Chantal

When we pray properly, sorrows disappear like snow before the sun. ***St John Vianney***

How often I failed in my duty to God, because I was not leaning on the strong pillar of prayer. ***St Teresa of Avila***

Let him never cease from prayer who has once begun it, be his life ever so wicked; for prayer is the way to amend it.

St Teresa of Avila

Vocal prayer...must be accompanied by reflection. A prayer in which a person is not aware of Whom he is speaking to, what he is asking, who it is who is asking and of Whom, I don't call prayer – however much the lips may move.

St Teresa of Avila

One must not think that a person who is suffering is not praying. He is offering up his sufferings to God.

St Teresa of Avila

Much more is accomplished by a single word of the Our Father said, now and then, from our heart, than by the whole prayer repeated many times in haste and without attention. ***St Teresa of Avila***

God would not urge us to ask, unless he were willing to give. ***St Augustine***

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

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon 28th July	11:00am (<i>Mentone</i>)
Tue 29th July	Memorial: Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus 9:15am (<i>Mentone</i>) 12 Noon (<i>Mentone</i>) School Mass
Wed 30th July	9:15am (<i>Mentone & Black Rock</i>) 11:30am (<i>Mentone</i>) Funeral: Terry Godfrey (Preceded by <i>Rosary</i> 11:00am)
Thu 31st July	Memorial: St Ignatius of Loyola, priest 9:15am (<i>Mentone</i>) 9:15am (<i>Beaumaris</i>) Class Mass
Fri 1st August	Memorial: St Alphonsus Liguori 9:15am (<i>Mentone & Black Rock</i>)
Sat 2nd August	9:15am (<i>Mentone & Beaumaris</i>)

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 the Parish office 9583 2103
or email mentoneparkdaleeast@cam.org.au



Recently Deceased: Tim Noonan

Anniversaries: Graham Humphries, Marie Wilson,
Francie Bloink, Frank Reinhehr, Emilia Nacua,
Frances Morgan

We pray for those who are sick:

Patricia Hood, Val Phelan, Janis Williams, Alan Laver,
Ching Price, Max Byers, Jim Lacey, John Nicholson,
John O'Donoghue, Mirella Townsend, Delia Fisher,
Margaret Rose Durston, Carol Camerino,
Michael Papworth

**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.*

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES Are now available for
collection at Mentone and Parkdale. Thank you for
your continued support.

*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 2/3 August 2025

St Patrick's - Mentone

6:00pm	Commentator/Reader	P Mount
	Extraordinary Minister	J Mount
11:00am	Commentator/Reader	S Tobin
	Extraordinary Minister	A Earle
5:00pm	Commentator/Reader	N Sedich
	Extraordinary Minister	C Giosis

St Joseph's - Black Rock

8:00am	Reader	R Papworth
	Commentator	J Brick
	Extraordinary Minister	J Short

St John Vianney's - Parkdale

9:00am	Reader	K Lowe
	Commentator	B Fitchet
	Extraordinary Minister	N Perazzo
	Extraordinary Minister to the sick	N Perazzo
	Flowers	K Lowe
	Pilgrim Statue	SLavery

Stella Maris - Beaumaris

10:30am	Reader	M Droege
	Commentator	M Link
	Extraordinary Minister	H Graham

Readings next week: 18th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr C

Ecclesiastes:	1: 2, 2:21-23
Colossians:	3: 1-5, 9-11
Luke:	12: 13-21

We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in
Zambia and missionaries like Sr Jane and Kayula.

Thanks to your kindness, women like Sharon will have the skills to provide
for their families, and mothers like Grace can give birth with dignity. Your
gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world.

To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit
catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our
regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news.

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catholicmission.org.au/mission. Your action will make a profound
change on people's lives.



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Morning Teas after Masses next weekend

Sunday 3rd August

9:00am St John Vianney's

10:30am Stella Maris

11:00am St Patrick's

All welcome!

Volunteers are also required to assist, speak with one
of today's helpers. Many hands make light work!

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

Reception into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church, Confirmation and First Holy Communion

We congratulate and pray for Dr Alan Cook, our Music Director at Mentone-Parkdale, received into the full communion of the Catholic Church at Saturday morning Mass at St Patrick's, and receiving Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Welcome, Alan, to the Catholic Church! We pray for God's blessings upon you, as you continue your pilgrimage of faith in the family of the Church.

Catechism of the Catholic Church – Difficulties in prayer

2729 The habitual difficulty in prayer is *distraction*. It can affect words and their meaning in vocal prayer; it can concern, more profoundly, him to whom we are praying, in vocal prayer (liturgical or personal), meditation, and contemplative prayer. To set about hunting down distractions would be to fall into their trap, when all that is necessary is to turn back to our heart: for a distraction reveals to us what we are attached to, and this humble awareness before the Lord should awaken our preferential love for him and lead us resolutely to offer him our heart to be purified. Therein lies the battle, the choice of which master to serve.

2731 Another difficulty, especially for those who sincerely want to pray, is *dryness*. Dryness belongs to contemplative prayer when the heart is separated from

God, with no taste for thoughts, memories, and feelings, even spiritual ones. This is the moment of sheer faith clinging faithfully to Jesus in his agony and in his tomb. "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." (Jn 12:24) If dryness is due to the lack of roots, because the word has fallen on rocky soil, the battle requires conversion.

2732 The most common yet most hidden temptation is our *lack of faith*. It expresses itself less by declared incredulity than by our actual preferences. When we begin to pray, a thousand labours or cares thought to be urgent vie for priority; once again, it is the moment of truth for the heart: what is its real love? Sometimes we turn to the Lord as a last resort, but do we really believe he is? Sometimes we enlist the Lord as an ally, but our heart remains presumptuous. In each case, our lack of faith reveals that we do not yet share in the disposition of a humble heart: "Apart from me, you can do *nothing*." (Jn 15:5)

Kilbreda College—Fundraising initiative for Kildare ministries

Kilbreda College is conducting a special fundraising initiative for Kildare Ministries from 28 July to 20 August. Our Partnered Parishes are happy to support the students in this campaign.

Kildare Ministries Community Works supports those in our community who are experiencing hardship, marginalisation or exclusion. Rooted in the Brigidine tradition, these works include three key organisations:

Wellsprings for Women: offers education, support and community programs for women, especially those from migrant and refugee backgrounds, to help them build independence and confidence.

Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (BASP): provides housing, food, financial support and advocacy for people seeking asylum in Australia.

Saltbush Balnarring: offers a welcoming space for reflection, healing, and spiritual connection for refugees, asylum seekers, and those needing rest and renewal.

*'Every donation, no matter the size, will make a meaningful difference in the lives of others.
We thank you for your generous support of our shared mission of compassion and service.'*

DONATE BY:

Cash donations can be left at the St Patrick's or Stella Maris Parish Offices; OR
Bank transfer to the Mentone-Parkdale Church account (mark donation with reference KILBREDA): 083347 6815 62913

*Fr Justin will be celebrating a special birthday in August.
Please join us for morning tea in the narthex at Stella Maris
on Sunday 3rd August following 10:30 am Mass; and morning tea
at St Patrick's Parish Centre on Sunday 10th August
following 11:00 am Mass, to celebrate this occasion.*

St. Patrick's Tennis Club – 2024 Grand Slam Trivia

Saturday 2nd August 2025. 7:30 pm start.
We have 1-2 tables available.
\$20 / head – BYO food & drink.
Bookings or further information—
contact Anthony on 0401 142 791

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With Fr Ford away this weekend, we welcome Fr Aurelio Fragapane, who will celebrate our 9:00 am Mass at St John Vianney's and our 11:00 am Mass at St Patrick's.

HYMNS:

Mentone 6:00pm Vigil Saturday

Parkdale 9:00am Sunday Mentone 5:00pm Sunday

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady, Help of Christians

Entrance: 586 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Offertory: *Adagio* from Organ Sonata No.1 Op.65 - F. Mendelssohn

Communion: *Ave Verum* - Mozart (SJV/SP 6pm Sat)
The Lord is my Shepherd - J. Gallina (5pm)
595 Seek, O Seek the Lord

Recessional: 528 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Postlude: *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* - G. F. Handel

Mentone 11:00am Sunday Choral Mass

Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady, Help of Christians

Entrance: 586 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Offertory: *Verily, verily* - Tallis

Communion: *Ave Verum* - Mozart
595 Seek, O Seek the Lord

Recessional: 528 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Postlude: *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* - G. F. Handel

Black Rock 8:00am Sunday

Entrance: 840 This Day God Gives Me

Offertory: 621 As Gentle As Silence

Communion: 685 Gift of Finest Wheat

Recessional: 705 Holy Father, God of Might

Beaumaris 10:30am Sunday

Entrance: Christ Be Our Light

Offertory: Pilgrims of Hope

Communion: Seek Ye First

Recessional: Holy Father, God of Might



Responsorial Psalm: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S CHOIR TO SING AT 5PM MASS TODAY

The choir performs once a month at 5:00 Mass on Sunday evenings at St Patrick's Mentone. Weekly rehearsals are held Wednesdays, 3:30-4:15pm, in the Choir Room, 3 Mitchell St, Mentone. New members welcome! **9583 2103**.



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SUNDAY 3RD AUG - AFTER 11AM MASS

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Next session: this **Friday 1st August**,
6:30 - 7:30pm in the **Parish Centre**,
3 Mitchell St, Mentone, fortnightly Friday
sessions until 10th October. BYO snacks
(optional). Contact Casey or Emily
stpatrickbsg@gmail.com - **0424 397 022**.



Join our
pilgrims!



Hey I'm Fr. Joe...

I'm honoured to have been chosen by our **ACYF** pilgrims to serve as their chaplain on this journey.

My hope is to support and guide our young adults in their pilgrimage as they explore the deeper questions of faith and grow in their relationship with Christ.

I humbly ask you for your prayers and support to accompany the young people of our parish and send them to **ACYF** knowing that we as their parish family support them in their faith journey.

**I'm praying for our pilgrims,
will YOU pray with me?**