



**CATHOLIC PARISH OF HEALESVILLE, INCORPORATING HEALESVILLE (ST BRIGID'S),
YARRA GLEN (ST ALOYSIUS) & MARYSVILLE (OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS)**

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19th March 2023
4th SUNDAY OF LENT
(Year A)

Mass & Sacrament Times for this week:

Saturday 18th March

10:00-11:00am – Confessions at St Patrick's, Lilydale
6:00pm Vigil Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale

Sunday 19th March – 4th Sunday in Lent

8:30am Mass at St Brigid's, Healesville
10:30am Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale
5:00pm Mass St Aloysius', Yarra Glen

Monday 20th March – Solemnity of St Joseph

6:00pm Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale

Tuesday 21st March – Tuesday of 4th Wk of Lent

8:00-9:00am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Lilydale
(8:30-9:00am – Confession available)
9:15am Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale
9:45-10:30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary,
Lilydale

Wednesday 22nd March – Wednesday of 4th Wk of Lent

8:00-9:00am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Lilydale
(8:30-9:00am – Confession available)
9:15am Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale
9:45-10:30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary,
Lilydale

Thursday 23rd March – Thursday of 3rd Wk of Lent

8:00-9:00am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Healesville
(8:30-9:00am – Confession available)
9:15am Mass at St Brigid's, Healesville

Friday 24th March – Friday of 4th Wk of Lent

8:00-9:00am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Lilydale
(8:30-9:00am – Confession available)
9:15am Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale
6:30pm – Stations of the Cross at St Patrick's, Lilydale

Saturday 25th March – Solemnity of The Annunciation

9:15am Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale
10:00-11:00am – Confessions at St Patrick's, Lilydale
6:00pm Vigil Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale

Sunday 26th March – 5th Sunday in Lent

8:30am Mass at St Brigid's, Healesville
10:30am Mass at St Patrick's, Lilydale
12:00pm – Baptisms at St Patrick's, Lilydale

Entrance Antiphon (Isaiah 66:10-11)

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;
exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

First Reading (1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13)

A reading from the first book of Samuel

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Ps 22[23])

***R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.***

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where He gives me repose.
Near restful waters He leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. R.

He guides me along the right path;
He is true to His name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these You give me comfort. R.

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head You have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. R.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. R.

For details relating to **Baptisms, Marriages & Anointing of the Sick**, please contact the parish office.

Safeguarding children news

For all enquiries regarding child safeguarding, contact
Safeguardinghealesville@cam.org.au



Second Reading (Ephesians 5:8-14)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said:

Wake up from your sleep,
rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (John 8:12)

Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.
Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel (John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

As Jesus went along, He saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.

His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.'

They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: He does not keep the sabbath.' Others said 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about Him yourself, now that He has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet', replied the man.

'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away.

Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when He found him He said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him'. Jesus said, 'You are looking at Him; He is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped Him.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,
I saw and I believed in God.

SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH – Father Denton will offer Mass for the Feast of St Joseph, on Monday 21st, 6:30pm at St Patrick's, Lilydale. ALL WELCOME.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD – There will be a Mass for the Feast of the Annunciation, on Saturday 25th, 9:15am at St Patrick's, Lilydale. ALL WELCOME.

FR VITO will be offering Confessions in Italian on Tuesday 28th March, from 4:30pm until 5:30pm, at St Patrick's, Lilydale.

STATIONS of the CROSS – every Friday leading up to the Easter Triduum. 6:30pm at St Patrick's, Lilydale.

Healing Mass & Luncheon

When: Thursday 30th March, 11am to 1:30pm

Where: St Brigid's, Healesville Church and Luncheon in the Parish Hall

ALL WELCOME!

LENTEN PROGRAM – at St. Patrick's, Lilydale.

WHAT: we will be following along with the *TRIUMPH Lenten Program*, from the Wollongong Diocese.

WHEN: weekly on Saturday's during Lent – from 25th February to 1st April, 11:00am to 12:00pm.

WHERE: the Moira Tanks room, at the St. Patrick's Community Centre.

ALL WELCOME!

Reading Roster for Sunday 8:30am Mass:

12 th March	-	Josh Tilley
19 th March	-	Pat/Gabriel/Gideon Houlihan
26 th March	-	Maree Jeffcott
2 nd April	-	Anne Lehmann
9 th April	-	John Barrett
16 th April	-	John Barrett
23 rd April	-	Luke Houlihan
30 th April	-	Veronica Ireland

WEEKLY THANKSGIVING

26th February:

<u>St. Brigid's:</u>	
Presbytery	\$ 335.45
Thanksgiving Collection	\$ 569.75

5th March:

<u>St. Brigid's:</u>	
Presbytery	\$ 381.25
Thanksgiving Collection	\$ 829.35

12th March:

<u>St. Brigid's:</u>	
Presbytery	\$ 183.20
Thanksgiving Collection	\$ 434.45

1st Collection is for Presbytery – *Orange envelope* – Fr Francis, plus priests & retired priests of the Archdiocese living expenses.

2nd Collection is Thanksgiving – *Green envelope* – Running expenses of the Church

If you would like to make a donation:

St Patrick's Presbytery Account

BSB: 083-347 Account: 63931 5513

St Brigid's Church Account

BSB: 083-347 Account: 65080 2080

Ref: Surname or Thanksgiving Number

St Brigid's Parish Hall for Hire

A reminder that the St Brigid's Hall is available for hire: for community groups and/or private functions.

It's a great, versatile space with access to industrial kitchen.

Very reasonable rates: \$30 per hour or \$250 per day. Make your enquiries via the Parish office



PARISH PRAYER LIST

Recently Deceased: Italo Di Giovine, Anita Heyma, Assunta Salvitti & Grace Faraone
Sick: Mia, Babies Emmett, Noah Glen Christie, Tedi and Santi; Roman, Blake Smith, John Snell, Peter Munro, Megan, Bernie Jansen, John, Glenn, Lyn Francis, Dorothy Barber, Fiona, Annie Preuss, Damian, John, Alison, Heather, Julie Bates, Garry Dettman, Bradley Jordan, Jeanette Henkel, Richard Galbraith, Debbie Huby, Geoff Lucas, Glen, Fred Coullas, Evie Gleeson, Indy Dawes, Rade Krstic, Megan Williams, Michael Wood, Michael, Margo & Stephen Youngberry, Marie Hammond, John Mulholland, Rhiannon Days, Val Savitt, Ron Garland, Jaz Nueber, James Cooney, Robert, Mary & Gerard Bariola, Lydia, Joyce Slattery, Annie, Michael Christie, Ted & Peter Bowling, James, Mitchell Wilson, Veronica Ireland, Lauren, Brooke, Anthony, Laura Baosde Pinto, Michelle, Judy, Annette Fromholtz, John Wray, Lynn Doensen, Elsa Gianforte, Fiona M, Louise Jansen, Carol Biddiscombe

Those Whose Anniversaries Occur In March:

Matthew Jecfott, Sr Nell Russell, Ronald Donchi, H. Weda, Rene Chandler, Helen Srafford, Frank McDonald, John Doensen, Ziggy Nadolski, Claudio Latin, Mary Snell, Antonio Bariola, John Field, Mary Wood, Eva Jansen, Erica Fries, Mavis McKenzie, Harry van de ven, Susan Sosic.

The Combined Societies of Mary Invites Everyone to
'Walk With Mary 2023'

When : Sunday 26th March – St Patrick's Cathedral
 What: 2pm Prayers, Holy Mass, City Street Procession
 Most Rev. Bishop Columba Macbeth Green will be the main Celebrant.
 More information: www.thecombinedsocietiesofmary.com or Mrs Joy Hunt 9509 2207



Invitation to Free Public Lecture in Melbourne

Greg Sheridan (foreign editor at *The Australian*) will give a free lecture on Wednesday the 29 March at 6pm titled 'Works that Made the West: The Letters of St Paul.' It will be held at The Athanaeum Club, Melbourne CBD.
 For a free ticket to the evening follow this link
www.campion.edu.au/events

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Weekend

"Live Your Best Life in Love"

Every relationship is a journey and the grind of everyday life can cause you to lose touch with your spouse. This weekend gives married couples the tools to keep passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living.

The weekend is based around Catholic values and couples of all faiths are welcome.

28 – 30 April 2023 in Melbourne (Book early to avoid disappointment)

Information/Bookings: Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

St Brigid's Parish Care Group

What we do:

The Care Group includes volunteers from the parish and the wider community who provide outreach to individuals and families [400 and 180]. We meet at the Parish Hall, on the 1st Friday of each month from 10-12.

The Care Group provides many services and activities, including: visits, cuppas, chatting, sitting with and prayers; cards and phone calls. Regular deliveries of bread [Mon, Wed and Sat at 4]; preparation of meals and cook-ups; helping at friendship gatherings or with funeral care. Fundraising; the Christmas Cheer offering hampers, care parcels and gifts; providing home care and emergency relief. And more!!!

The Care Group needs your help:

We are looking for volunteers to become 'helping hands'. If you are interested in helping and can spare some time, weekly or monthly, or would like more information, you can give me a call and/or come along to our Care Meeting.

May God bless us, our Parish and those we care for. Maree Jecfott [0417087199]

PRAYER FOR LIFE – there will be Mass in Reparation for Abortion at St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday 25th March, 2023, at 9:00am. Sponsored by the *Helpers of God's Precious Infants*, Mass will be followed by a Rosary Procession to the edge of the 150m zone from the abortion centre in Wellington Parade. ALL WELCOME.



Türkiye-Syria Earthquake Disaster

A 7.8 magnitude earthquake has unleashed devastation on Türkiye and Syria. Over 50,000 people have been killed, with many more injured and left homeless. After 12 years of war, Syria is at breaking point and desperately needs assistance. Your generous donation means our partners in Türkiye and Syria can respond swiftly to support the survivors of this unimaginable tragedy.

Visit: www.caritas.org.au/syria-turkey or call **1800 024 413** toll free to donate now.

Trace the journey of Jesus from the land of his birth to the way he carried his cross and gave the eternal sacrifice in this 14-day Holy Land pilgrimage to Jordan & Israel led by Fr Salas Muttathukattil MSFS. This pilgrimage features places from the Old & New Testament and includes Petra, Mt Nebo, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, Mt Sinai and Jerusalem for an all-inclusive offer of \$6,940 AUD. The fare includes Airfare + Local Transfers in Deluxe Coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + English speaking professional guides. Departure from Sydney and Melbourne on 21st May 2023. For inquiries & bookings call 1300 721 561 or email us info@magiholidays.com.au

*Little Yarra Steiner School presents;
 a musical gift to the community*

ST JOHN PASSION – JS BACH

When: Wednesday 5th of April at 6:00pm

Where: 205 Little Yarra Rd, Yarra Junction
 (in the LYSS Gymnasium)

Performed by students, teachers & friends of LYSS
 Gold coin donations accepted.

St Patrick's (Feast Day - March 19th)



Traditionally attributed to St Patrick, the Lorica of St Patrick is an ancient prayer of spiritual protection invoking God through profession of the Faith. It emphasises the Christian belief in the Trinity, the Incarnation of Christ and the intercession of the saints. The prayer's popular name Lorica (Latin for 'breastplate' or 'body armour') alludes to St Paul's letter to the Galatians (6:14) in which St Paul exhorts us to prepare for spiritual warfare by putting on the armour of God including 'the breastplate of righteousness'. This

powerful prayer can be prayed in times of difficulty, danger or temptation, to call upon the protection of God. It is a very suitable prayer to pray during this time of Lent!

St Patrick, pray for us!

The Lorica (Breastplate) of St Patrick

I arise today

Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,
Through belief in the Threeness,
Through confession of the Oneness
of the Creator of creation.

I arise today

Through the strength of Christ's birth with His baptism,
Through the strength of His crucifixion with His burial,
Through the strength of His resurrection with His ascension,
Through the strength of His descent for the judgment of doom.

I arise today

Through the strength of the love of cherubim,
In the obedience of angels,
In the service of archangels,
In the hope of resurrection to meet with reward,
In the prayers of patriarchs,
In the predictions of prophets,
In the preaching of apostles,
In the faith of confessors,
In the innocence of holy virgins,
In the deeds of righteous men.

I arise today, through

The strength of heaven,
The light of the sun,
The radiance of the moon,
The splendour of fire,
The speed of lightning,
The swiftness of wind,
The depth of the sea,
The stability of the earth,
The firmness of rock.

I arise today, through

God's strength to pilot me,
God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me,
God's shield to protect me,
God's host to save me
From snares of devils,
From temptation of vices,
From everyone who shall wish me ill,
afar and near.

I summon today

All these powers between me and those evils,
Against every cruel and merciless power
that may oppose my body and soul,
Against incantations of false prophets,
Against black laws of pagandom,
Against false laws of heretics,
Against craft of idolatry,
Against spells of witches and smiths and wizards,
Against every knowledge that corrupts man's body and soul;
Christ to shield me today
Against poison, against burning,
Against drowning, against wounding,
So that there may come to me an abundance of reward.

Christ with me,

Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me,
Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right,
Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down,
Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

I arise today

Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,
Through belief in the Threeness,
Through confession of the Oneness
of the Creator of creation.



TRIVIA NIGHT - ST PATRICK'S PARISH

AT OUR COMMUNITY CENTRE
SATURDAY 25TH MARCH, 7.00 PM
COST - \$5.00 PER PERSON

BOOK A TABLE OF up to 10 FRIENDS (maximum)
OR COME ALONE AND MAKE UP A TABLE ON THE NIGHT

TRIVIA GAMES

COIN GAMES

SILENT AUCTIONS

BRING ALONG YOUR GOLD COINS!

BYO DRINKS AND NIBBLES

TEA & COFFE SUPPLIED

CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE FOR BOOKINGS



Information Night

YARRA VALLEY WINTER SHELTER

Stable One is hosting two information sessions for those who would like to find out more about volunteering in the Winter Shelter. Join us for one of the sessions below.

Wednesday 29th March, 7.30pm

HEALESVILLE

St John's Anglican Church, 5-7 Symons St, Healesville

Thursday 30th March, 7.30pm

MONTROSE

Montrose Church of Christ, 7 Leith Rd, Montrose
(parking via Walker Rd)



Sunday nights during winter St Patrick's will be hosting the Yarra valley winter shelter.

In the past we have been very fortunate through the generosity of our parishioners to be able to provide a hot meal and breakfast to our guests at the shelter.

You can help us by volunteering for one of the many roles on our roster: Evening Shift worker 5.30pm-10pm, Overnight shift 10pm-7am or breakfast shift 7am-9am.

Cooking the evening meal or baking and dropping off dessert. There are two information session if you would like to come along and see what we are about, or feel free to call Sharon on 0425 703 696 if you have any question or wish to discuss further.

Envelopes will be available at the back of the church for any monetary donations so that we can continue to provide meals. Thank you for your continued support.