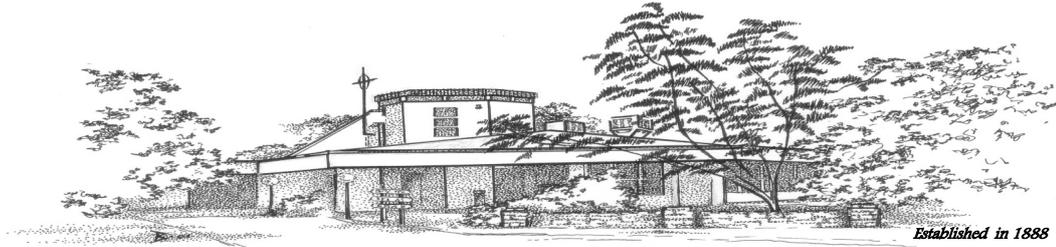


St Patrick's Parish Emerald Welcomes You



Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A

16th & 17th May 2020

Parish Priest : Fr Truc Quoc Phan

Associate Pastor: Fr Firminus Wiryono (Fr Yon)

“I will ask the Father and He will give you another Advocate.”

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Christ,

We are in the final weeks of Eastertide and the liturgy turns increasingly to the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

In the Gospel today, Jesus speaks of **“another Advocate”** which the disciples are to receive. The word **“Advocate”** generally means someone “called to one’s side” as a helper, principally as a defender in a lawsuit.

Jesus is the first “Advocate”, the defender of the disciples in time of trial. Jesus is our foundation, though innocent, suffered and died for our sins to liberate us and save us. This is God’s unconditional love for us.

In turn, we are called: *“If you love me, you will keep my commandments.”* The essential of God’s commandments or the climate of Christian lives is Love, as Jesus said: *“Love one another as I have loved you”*. This requires sacrifices; therefore, the followers of Jesus can expect to suffer. However, as St. Peter says in the second reading today, *“it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil”*.

The world now is in the middle of Coronavirus Pandemic. Restrictions somehow make us feel uneasy and frustrated; therefore, we suffer. But, *“it is better to suffer for doing good than for doing evil”*. Observing the directives to save life rather than violating them and bring further destructions.

To do good is not always easy; however, Jesus before His physically absent from this world, promised to send us the “other Advocate” which is the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit will make our Risen Christ present in our lives and will help us overcome all trials and lead us into all truth which is to witness to the loving Father.

As we prepare to shortly celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, may we recall and remember our own baptism and confirmation. It is Jesus, the first “Advocate”, who came into us through baptism and it is the “other Advocate”, the Holy Spirit, who comes and transforms us into the Temple of God through confirmation!

May the Lord help us to realise that we are called not only to believe in Jesus’ resurrection, but also to live and proclaim this good news through the quality of our daily lives with one another, regardless of difficulties.

Fr Truc Phan, SVD



St Patrick's Church

Emerald

Re-opening



Mass and Private Prayer Times Commencing 18 May 2020 [Stage 1]

| Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|--|--|--|--|--|-----|-------------|
| Mass 8am | Mass 8am | Mass 8am | Mass 8am | Mass 8am | tba | Mass 8am |
| Individual Private Prayer 9am - 10am 4pm - 5pm | | |

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Maximum 10 attendees in the Church

Sunday Mass - We aim to give **everyone** an opportunity to attend Sunday Mass. An invitation will be extended to parishioners to attend, on a rotation/roster basis. But, do you have a special Sunday that you would like to attend? ... we'd love to hear from you, please call so we can roster you on...

2

Social distancing and hygiene precaution

Hygiene precautionary measures will be undertaken after each session, signage visible, sanitising stations supplied and monitored.



3

All attendees to provide contact details

The Government require that we maintain an attendee's Name + Contact Number + Date and time of person worshipping be recorded in the event tracking is required. Confidentially a priority.

4

Some people are more at risk than others of becoming seriously ill with Covid-19

Please check the Australian Government Department of Health for details. It is strongly advised you restrict your exposure to others if you fall within any of these categories. Your health is our priority and we can't wait to celebrate Eucharist with you when this comes to an end. Take care.

5

Sunday Mass 8am will continue to be live streamed.

Please join us <https://www.facebook.com/StPatsChurchEmerald>



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The Church will remain closed outside of the above hours.



We Miss You. You can call us to **book/register** to attend Mass and Individual Private Prayer

- Parish Office: P 4982 1066 / M 0418 821 066 / 0448 842 971 E: stpatsem@bigpond.com
all other enquires please call Fr Truc 0431 218 818 and Fr Yon 0405 191 418

Please Especially Pray For

Sick: Luz Cruickshank, Tupu Tauamo, Gerard Pearce, Peter Mahony, Joan Agius, Valma Burrige, Max, Kayci, Ashley & Chase Kerkow, Mary Hornery, Lawrence McNamee, Jordon Cassidy.

Deceased: Peta Campbell, Ricky Maguire

Anniversaries: John Thomas Murphy (Sean), Graeme Waghorn, Angelie Geroso, Jodie Hodgeson, Kevin Pearce, Daphne Legge, John McCosker, Anna Vella, Keith Esmond, Enecito Jangao, Kath Burns, John Myres, Patsy Boyd, James Pacey, Paul Burrows, Letitia Barraclough, Tim (Den) Sullivan, John Lowth, Leanne Ufer, Marie Davison, Marie Drynan, Maria Simic, Adam Weigand, Brian O'Rourke, Grace McCornack, May Lennon, Kit & Cecil Smith, Peg & Dave Waldby, Dorren Priddle, Roly Bulger, Eddie Eshmann, Anya Kakstas.

Please contact the parish office if you are aware of people or families within our community requiring our prayers and/or support.

Marist Messages:

✠ Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a number of College camps and events have been cancelled or postponed throughout Term 2. We do however remain hopeful that we will be able to reschedule a number of these events during Term 3.

Best Wishes,
Mark Green – Principal

Diocesan Financial Controller

A great opportunity exists to join a dynamic team in a values-based NFP as Financial Controller, managing the organisation's financial and accounting operations.

The Financial Controller is responsible for oversight and motivation of the Finance team in Rockhampton along with the production of timely and accurate financial information and reporting.

Reporting to the Director of Diocesan Services, the Financial Controller assists in formulating the organisation's future direction by providing short and medium term financial forecasting and strategic advice.

To view details of this position go to <https://rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/employment/>

We offer a supportive and positive team environment and an attractive remuneration package.

For further information or a copy of the Position Description, email hr@rok.catholic.net.au

Applications are to be submitted with a cover letter addressing why you are the best person for this role no later than **9am (AEST) on Wednesday, 27th May 2020**

Only short listed applicants will be contacted.

The successful applicant will have a willingness to undertake a QLD Working with Children check along with a Federal Police check ensuring compliance with the National Safeguarding Standards.

PRAYERS & HYMNS**PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS** S Temple

As One Voice Vol 2: 126

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love,
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all men that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Penitential Act (spoken)

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed
to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.
May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life.
Amen.

GLORY TO GOD (spoken)

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

WELCOME THE WORD OF GOD

Speak, Lord Gary Ault

Speak Lord I'm listening
Plant your Word down deep in me
Speak Lord I'm listening
Please show me the way

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FIRST READING Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*They laid hands on them, and they received
the Holy Spirit.*

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



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Reconciliation

Fr Truc and Fr Yon are available for Reconciliation by appointment only.

Please contact Priest to arrange a suitable time.

Fr Truc 0431 218 818

Fr Yon 0405 191 438



PRAYERS & HYMNS Page 3 RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **R.**

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **R.**

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **R.**

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **R.**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter
In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

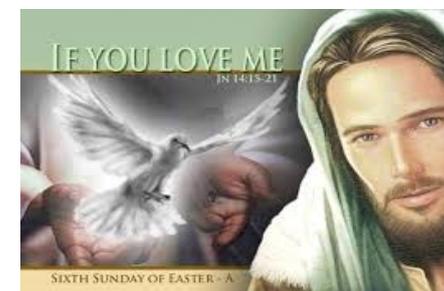
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALLELUIA Mass Shalom. Colin D Smith and Paul Mason

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GOSPEL John 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate.

Jesus said to his disciples:
'If you love me you will keep my commandments.
I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever,
that Spirit of truth
whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him;
but you know him,
because he is with you, he is in you.
I will not leave your orphans;
I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day
you will understand that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

SEEK YE FIRST Karen Lafferty AOV Vol1:48

Seek Ye first the kingdom of God,
And His righteousness,
And all these things, shall be added onto you,
Alleu, alleluia

Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and ye shall find.
Knock and the door shall be opened onto you.
Alleu, Alleuia

Where two or three are gathered in my name,
there am I in their midst,
and whatsoever ye ask, I will do
Alleu, Alleuia

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BLEST BE THE LORD Dan Schutte SJ

As One Voice Vol 1:179

Chorus:
Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord.
The God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear the dark of night,
nor the arrow that flies by day.

He will release me from the nets of all my foes.
He will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of His wings I will rejoice
to find a dwelling place secure.

I need not shrink before the terrors of the night,
nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me, no arrow strike me down.
No evil settle in my soul.

Although a thousand strong have fallen at my side,
I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand.
His faithful love is all the armour that I need
to wage a battle with the foe.

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