THE PARISH MISSION 22 FEBRUARY – 26 FEBRUARY (ASH WEDNESDAY – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT)



ST PATRICK'S CHURCH CENTENARY YEAR CELEBRATIONS

PREACHERS

REV. CANON KEVIN KENNY

REV. ALDO TAPPARO



WHAT IS A PARISH MISSION

A Parish Mission is a time of spiritual growth and spiritual renewal for each individual in the parish and for the parish community as a whole.

It is a time to grow in faith, reflect in hope and pray with renewed commitment. A mission helps us to grow closer to God and to one another. The Mission builds our relationship with God and our fellow parishioners. The Mission deepens friendship with God and with each other and gives us a NEW VISION of our Christian vocation.

GOD'S LOVE FOR US

The theme of our parish mission is 'The Love of God'.

St. John writes,

"This is the love I am talking about – Not our love for God but God's love for us when he sent his only son to take our sins away."

In a series of talks at mid-day and sermons during Mass our two preachers, Canon Kevin and Father Aldo will explore and explain how God loves us and how God's love changes us and the promises God's love holds out for us. Our two mission priests, both aged 85 years, have between them as priests more than 120 years of preaching, living and loving the word of God.



22 February – Ash Wednesday

'A DAY OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE'

- 9:15 am Mass with the distribution of ashes
 The school choir will sing at this Mass. Father Aldo will preside and Canon Kevin will preach.
- 10:00 am The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar for private prayer.
 The rosary will be prayed.
- 3. 10:00 am 10:30 am The priests will hear confessions in church.
- 4. 12:00 noon Father Aldo will give a 30 minute talk in church on 'The Love of God'.
- 5. 12:30 pm A complimentary soup lunch will be served for everyone in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.
- 6. 3.30 pm Canon Kevin will give a 30 minute talk to St. Patrick's School teaching staff on Catholic Education. (Canon Kevin was previously Chief Inspector for Schools for the Diocese of Salford)
- 7. 7:30 pm Mass with the distribution of ashes
 - The piano will lead the music at this mass. Canon Kevin will preside, and Father Aldo will preach.
- 8. 8:30 pm A complimentary cheese selection/vegetarian pizza supper will be served for everyone in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.

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23 February – Thursday

- 1. 10:30 am Before Mass, confessions will be heard, and The Rosary will be prayed.
- 11:00 am Mass
 Tracy will lead the music at Mass. Canon Kevin will preside and Father Aldo will preach.
- 3. 11:45 am Tea and coffee will be served in the narthex for everyone.
- 4. 12 noon Canon Kevin will give a 30-minute talk in church on 'The Love of God'.
- 5. 12:30 pm A complimentary soup lunch will be served for everyone in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.
- 6. 2:00 pm 7:15 pm -The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar for private prayer.
- 7. 7:00 pm The priests will be in church hearing confessions before Mass.
- 8. 7:30 pm The choir will lead the singing at Mass. Father Aldo will preside and Canon Kevin will preach.
- 9. 8:30 pm A complimentary buffet supper will be served in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.

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24 February – Friday

- 1. 9:15 am Stations of The Cross in church presented by St Patrick's School children.
- 2. 10:30 am There will be confession before Mass, The Rosary will be prayed.
- 11:00 am Mass
 Music will be provided by Tracy. Father Aldo will preside, and Canon Kevin will preach.
- 4. 11:45 am Tea and coffee will be served in the narthex for everyone.
- 5. 12 noon Father Aldo will give a 30-minute talk in church on 'The Love of God'.
- 6. 12:30 pm A complimentary soup lunch will be served for everyone in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.
- 1:00 pm 7:15 pm -The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar for private prayer.
- 8. 7:00 pm The priests will be in church hearing confessions before Mass.
- 9. 7:30 pm The Music Group will lead the singing at Mass. Canon Kevin will preside and Father Aldo will preach.
- 10. 8:30 pm A complimentary buffet curry supper will be served in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.

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25 February – Saturday

- 1. 10:00 am 11:00 am –Confessions will be heard in church. The Rosary will be prayed.
- 2. 11:00 am Mass

The Youth Choir will lead the music for the Mass today. Canon Gregory will preside, and Canon Kevin and Father Aldo will preach for 15 minutes each on 'The Love of God'. This Mass is for everyone, not just young people.

- 3. 12:00 noon The young people will serve Tea and coffee in the narthex for everyone.
- 4. 1:00 pm The young people will be served a complimentary pizza lunch in The Shore Gallery.
- 5. 2:00 pm There will be a complimentary cinema outing for the young people in secondary school and above.
- 6. 5:30 pm 6:15 pm There will be a service of penance with confession. Canon Kevin will preach, and Father Aldo will preside.
- 6:30 pm Mass
 Music will be provided by Katie. Father Aldo will preside. Canon Kevin will
 preach.
- 8. 7:30 pm A complimentary/cheese and wine party will take place in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.

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26 February – Sunday

8:30 am - Mass

Music will be provided by Steve and Tracy. Father Aldo will preside. Canon Kevin will preach.

9:30 am – Tea and coffee will be served in The Shore Gallery.

10:00 am – Mass: The Mission Concludes

Music will be provided by the School Choir. Canon Kevin will preside. Father Aldo will preach.

11:00 am - Tea and coffee will be served in The Shore Gallery. All welcome.

MISSION PRAYER

GOD OUR FATHER, THROUGH OUR PARISH MISSION BRING NEW MEANING AND NEW PURPOSE TO OUR LIVES.

DEEPEN OUR LOVE FOR YOU AND ONE ANOTHER. AND HELP US TO BECOME GOOD MISSIONARIES FOR YOU AND YOUR CHURCH, THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD. AMEN



FATHER ALDO, CANON KEVIN, AND CANON GREGORY