

The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

Second Sunday of Easter Year C

24 April 2022

PARISH PRIEST Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

> PARISH STAFF Shobha Thomas Sue Leong

COORDINATOR MUSIC & CATECHESIS Veronica Blair

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Tue, Thu & Fri: 10am-2pm

WEEKEND MASSES Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 11am, 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES Monday-Saturday: 9.15am

RECONCILIATION Half an hour before all Masses and Saturday 9.45am-10.10am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Saturday 9.45am -10.15am

ADORATION, ROSARY & NOVENA Wednesday 6.40pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS, Contact the Parish Office preferably by email

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK Contact the Parish Priest/Office

TONY'S CAFE Take away meals only Tuesdays: 12.30pm—1.30pm Thursdays: 3pm—5.30pm

VENUE HIRE Contact the Parish Office

OUR SICK: Joel Saray, Jason Yu, Bev Chandlers, Leslie Buicke, Isabelita Quiano, Nello Germino, Betty Stevens *(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested)* **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Cassie Berenger, Bob Carey

Please ring/email the Parish Office if you would like to receive the Parish Newsletter by email



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We consider the safety and wellbeing of all persons to be our highest priority. For further information on Safeguarding please visit: https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding

LITURGY OF THE WORD	Last Week's Stewardship Collection	
Entrance Antiphon	(loose & envelopes)	
Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure,	Church Stowardship	2 2 4 0
spiritual milk, that in him you may grow		2,340 1,247
to salvation, alleluia.	r lesbytery Stewardship \$	1,247
Today's Readings	Holy Places \$	1,960
Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31	φ	1,900
Responsorial Psalm Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting	St Anthony's Parish Income & Expenditure March 2022	
Gospel Acclamation	Income	() ()
Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because		6,359
you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me,		6,201
but still believe! Alleluia!	Service Fees \$	950 0,697
Communion Antiphon	Thanksgiving Income \$1 Other \$	300
Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,		4,507
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.		-1,507
Next Sunday's Readings	Expenses	
Acts 5:27-32. 40-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19		6,285
		3,577
Sunday School	Candles, Flowers, Hosts \$	397
Sunday School is in recess for school holidays		2,100
Our Sacramental Program will be available soon.	Electricity, Gas, Water \$	932
our sacramentar i rogram win se avanasie soon.	Gardening \$	720
		3,121
Liturgy Roster (Readers)—Apr 23-24	Interest repayment on loan \$	158
Sat. 6pm–P Bates	Printing, Postage & Stationery \$	604 1,073
Sun. 9am—E Moraes & 11am—M Anthony	Repairs & Maintenance\$Security\$	84
Sun. 5pm—E Sebastian	Telecommunications \$	100
1	Miscellaneous Expenses \$	214
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Good Friday Pageant		5,142
Congratulations to all the young people to		- ,
participated in the Good Friday Pageant.	Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Dond	ations
	& Maintenance Income will be reported once a n	nonth
Plant Sale in Spring	Choir Practice	
Start raising your seedlings now		l
for a nice display in Spring.	Practice every Wednesday at 7.30pm at ch	urch.
Empty pots and donations of	Thanksgiving Envelope	
potting mix welcome.		
More details to follow.	We are trying to identify and acknowledge	
	envelope giver no. 9 or 19. Please contact P	arish
Walking Group	Office. Thank you.	
On Friday, 6 May after the 9.15am Mass all are		
welcome to join in a Cuppa at the church and	Easter Raffle Result	
afterwards enjoy a short easy walk.	Thank you to the Organisers. An amount	t of
	\$1,030 was raised. 1st prize: Paul,	
Thank You Everyone	2nd prize: Theresa, 3rd prize: Mary An	n

The Parish Community would like to thank everyone who made the Holy Week Liturgy and

other related activities meaningful and

memorable. We received very encouraging

feedback !!! God Bless.

Royal Children's Hospital

A Big Thank You for your generosity. St

Anthony's Youth collected \$3,267.95 for the

Royal Children Hospital. Congratulations!

Collections at Mass

We shall now return to the traditional style of taking up offerings during Mass.

1st collection after the Homily 2nd collection during Offertory.



We need volunteers to take up the collections using the long-handle collection bags instead of the collection plates. Thank you.



Child Safety—Your Responsibility

As parents or family, it is your responsibility to care for and supervise your children:

> When attending Mass Within any church facilities At morning tea after Mass At special events in the parish In the carpark In the playground

80th Birthday of Monsignor Gerard Diamond.

- Results from the Zoom meeting held on 20th April, as follows:
- Birthday Committee is formed of those who attended the meeting. Names (TBA)
- We are celebrating it as a Parish Community on Sunday 15th May. (A ctual date12th May)
- Liturgical event: Mass celebrated by Mgr. Diamond at 11am
- Social event: Sit-down Meal and Entertainments at Parish Hall after the Mass.
- Invitation is open to all.
- For catering purposes please register your names in advance, starting from this weekend.
- After the Weekend Masses please approach the volunteers to register your attendance.
- We encourage donations towards the expenses, preferably while registering your attendance.
- Those who would like to take part in the entertainment, contact the Team via the Parish office.
- A Photo-board to be displayed. Please provide photos.
- Next Meeting via Zoom Monday 2 May 2022 7pm. Zoom details TBA.



FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY This Sunday 24 April 2022

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 2.30 pm to 2.50 pm. Confessions: 2.35 pm to 2.50 pm. Veneration of Divine Mercy Image: 2.50 pm followed by "3 O'clock Prayer", Chaplet, Litany etc. Divine Mercy Holy Mass: 3.20 pm (no changes to usual Mass times) All Welcome!



Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

Dear brothers and sisters in our Risen Lord,

Even in this Joyful Season of Easter, today we are reminded of the Wounds of Our Lord. It was in response to the stubbornness of his disciple, Thomas that Jesus appeared to him showing his wounded body. We might do well to appreciate Thomas for his holy stubbornness. It shows how desirous he was to see the Risen Christ. Earlier he had felt



left-out by Jesus, now he wants a special consideration by Him. Thomas did not want to be less privileged than the other disciples when it came to seeing his Lord and God.

Later on throughout the 20 centuries Our Lord kept appearing to many individuals showing his Holy Wounds. Some of the privileged ones were (to mention only a few) St. Bernard of 12th century, St. Bridget of 14th century, Margret Mary Alacoque of 17th century, Sr. Mary Martha of 19th century and St Faustina of 20th century.

It was to Sr. Faustina that Jesus appeared many times showing His wounded heart as the source of God's Mercy. Today the Church throughout the world celebrates the visions that St. Faustina had of Jesus showing His Wounded Heart. We celebrate it as a Feast by the name Divine Mercy. Through His apparitions to St. Faustina Jesus invites all of us to trust in His wounded Heart, from which Water and Blood flow as fountain of Mercy for the whole world.

One might ask, 'why at all Jesus should exhibit His wounds to anyone'. Is it to remind us and to accuse us of the ill treatment we gave Him? Or is it to put us to shame? Not at all.

First of all, these Wounds are unmistakable proofs that he is the same person. These nail-prints and the pierced side testify to His identity; So that we might believe.

Secondly, Jesus considers these Wounds as honourable. They are precious to Him. Just as a wounded soldier returning from a victorious battle shows his wounds proudly to his people, Jesus is proud of His wounds, not ashamed.

Again, His wounds remind us that suffering is absolutely necessary. If it was necessary for Jesus to suffer, it is necessary for us, too. To suffer for Christ is glory and to suffer for one another is praise worthy. These Wounds are also the evidence that even today Jesus sympathises with us in our sufferings and that He feels one with us in our pains.

These wounds also declare to us that we can count on Him, confidently rely on Him. He will not give us up even if we give Him up, but rather He would give Himself up.

A reason why even in heaven Jesus wears these wounds in his Resurrected Body is that when he intercedes for us with His Father, these wounds are powerful reasons why He should be heard.

Again, in order to understand the reason for keeping the wounds on Him even in heaven, each of us could imagine 'If I am a part of the Body of Christ then I am a poor wounded part; then it is so consoling to know that Christ did not leave behind Him even his wounds; even those wounded parts he took to heaven. Poor, weak and wounded though I may be, now I know, he will not discard me.

We know also that His wounds are healed wounds. And so, though we too are wounded in many ways, we shall be healed; St Peter writes, 'by His wounds we are healed'. 'You have only to look at his Wounds, and you shall certainly find peace'. Where else can we find sure security and rest, except in the wounds of the Saviour?

Through these Sacred Wounds we can see the secret of the Heart of Jesus, the great mystery of love, the Sincerity of his Mercy with which he visited us from on high. These wounds are not merely reminders or signs or proofs rather they are Real Source of Divine Mercy. It is ours to honour these wounds with devotion. Through the virtue and merits of these Holy Wounds of Jesus may we come to share in His abundant Mercy. God Bless and Keep Safe