

The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B

1 August 2021

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 Saturday 9.45am-10.10am and 5.30pm—5.50pm

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

ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL Principal: Margaret Carlei ① 9563 6780 Ø office@santglen.catholic.edu.au ⊑ santglen.catholic.edu.au OUR SICK: Encar Tolosa, Rosemay Domingue (Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested). RECENTLY DECEASED: Eileen Considine ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Emile Arendtsz, Selvam James, Kim Wong, Chai Chong, Bartolo and Francesca Natoli, Gaetano, Neta and Tom

Tesoriero, Biaggio and Angela Sparano Please ring/email the Parish Office if you would like to receive the Parish Newsletter by Email or would like a sick, deceased or anniversary of a family member mentioned in our

NEWSLETTER

First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



As we could not celebrate this feast last Weekend, we shall celebrate it this Weekend at all Masses. Children of the Parish will sing a special song at the end of 11am Mass this Sunday, in honor of all our Grandparents and the Elderly. May God keep them in good health and in good cheer.

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 **Today's Readings** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24 The Lord gave them bread from heaven. **Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia! Next Sunday's Readings 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34

Liturgy Roster 7-8 August 2021

Mass	Reader	Commentator	Communion	
6.00pm	L Aranha	P Bates	N/A	
9.00am	M Dwyer	D D'Souza	Т Но	
11.00am	J Wong	L Korniadi	J Ferguson	
5.00pm	E Sebastian	L Shelton	N/A	



Holy Articles for sale. This Weekend



On Sat. 31 July & Sun. 1 Aug. after all Masses Holy Articles/items (Statues and the like) will be available for purchase at our church.

Please be reminded also about our own "Piety Stall" in our church, open throughout the year.

LAST WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP COLLECTIONS

Church Stewardship (loose & envelopes)	\$ N/A
Presbytery Stewardship (loose & envelopes)	\$ N/A

ADVANCE BOOKINGS REQUIRED FOR 11Am Mass, 15 August. 2021 Trybooking:

https://www.trybooking.com/BTHOU

Cutoff booking time: Sat. 14th Aug. 7pm.

ST MARY MACKILLOP, Next Sunday, 8th August

Statement of Faith

"We believe in God's everlasting love for all, and through faith and great confidence in that love, our petitions will be granted. Therefore, in the desire to promote God's greater honor and glory, we gather together to pray, through the intercession of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, for ---

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Most loving God, we thank you for the example of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop who, in her living of the gospel, witnessed to the human dignity of each person. She faced life's challenges with faith and courage. We pray through her intercession for our needs and that almighty God will hear our prayer.

We thank you that her holiness has now been acknowledged by the universal Church. We make this prayer through Jesus the Lord. Amen."

TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL **RE-IMAGINING OUR LOCAL CHURCH AS MISSION COMMUNITIES**

At Pentecost, Archbishop Comensoli wrote to all the faithful of Melbourne inviting us into a conversation, to reimagine our local Church as mission communities. This invitation ... is the start of a long-term journey. Archbishop Comensoli has said that parishes will remain at the heart of the gathering of God's people locally, but that honest and Spirit-led conversations need to take place for us to adapt the way in which we resource our local communities, including the placement of clergy, catechists and other lay leaders, to form Missions that are a family of communities. He asks that local communities embark on identifying these missions over the next 12-18 months, before moving towards a staged establishment of Missions over the next three to five years.

"I hope you have noticed I have not spoken of parish amalgamations or closures. I am NOT proposing such things today. We all know that this has been attempted here and in many other dioceses, often with great pain and with little renewal. No, this is not what I am calling us all to. Rather, let us see how we might arrange ourselves into Missions, let's see what our families look and feel and live like, before questions of the number of parishes or communities within each mission might be properly asked." Archbishop Comensoli, Presentation to clergy and lay leaders 2021. Want to know more?

Visit: https://melbournecatholic.org/about/mission



SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY





Monday 9 August at The Glen at 7pm. (Rescheduled)

We will look at all our parish run groups that have contact (directly/indirectly) with children and young people, so that we can ensure a focus on the provision of safe practices. We will document what we have in place and

perform a risk assessment to identify gaps and actions.

All parishioners/volunteers are welcome to attend this information session to contribute ideas, suggestions or concerns. It will be an enriching and refreshing evening!!!

Please RSVP to the Parish Office via email glenhuntly@cam.org.au. Alternatively you can lodge written suggestions in the Parish Office mail box.

Volunteers, Members of Committees & Groups

Before engaging in any ministry, one must have his/her WWCC, and sign the Code of Conduct. It's urgent and of utmost importance.

Safeguarding Committee

The St Anthony's Safeguarding Committee is proactively working towards meeting the responsibilities set by the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne.

For more information and resources on Safeguarding:

St Anthony's Parish: pol.org.au/glenhuntly

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne: melbournecatholic.org

If you would like to join our Safeguarding Committee or have any questions/concerns, please contact the Parish Office 9401 6336 or Email glenhuntly@cam.org.au

CatholicCare Victoria - Sunday Appeal 7/8 August

As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. Donations from our parish community will help to support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online

www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

Sign-up forms to support reading of the Lord's Prayer at the Victorian Parliament's Legislative Council (Upper House)

The Reason Party (Fiona Patten) is passing a motion in the Upper House on Wednesday 4 August to do away with the Lord's Prayer.

Sign-up forms supporting the retention of the Lord's Prayer at the commencement of sittings in the Legislative Council (Upper House) of the Victorian Parliament are available at the Church foyer.

First Holy Communion Sunday 15 August, 2021 St Anthony's School children at 2.30pm Mass (years 4 & 5)

This is a school based Mass and addresses the COVID-19 density regulations for worship gatherings. More details will be available once the parish and school are aware of the rules.

Sunday School Children at 11am Mass Trybooking: https://www.trybooking.com/BTHOU All attendees of 11 am Mass are required to book in advance.

Abbreviated Homily of Pope Francis on 1st World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly



Dear Grandfathers and Grandmothers and dear Elderly Friends,

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven.



They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. "I am with you always" are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone! I am well aware that this Message comes to you at a difficult time: the pandemic swept down on us like an unexpected and furious storm; it has been a time of trial for everyone, but especially for us elderly persons. Many of us fell ill, others died or experienced the death of spouses or loved ones, while others found themselves isolated and alone for long periods.

The Lord is aware of all that we have been through in this time. He is close to those who felt isolated and alone, especially during the pandemic. Tradition has it that Saint Joachim, the grandfather of Jesus, felt estranged from those around him because he had no children; his life, like that of his wife Anne, was considered useless. So the Lord sent an angel to console him. While he mused sadly outside the city gates, a messenger from the Lord appeared to him and said, "Joachim, Joachim! The Lord has heard your insistent prayer". The scene is of a night, one of those many sleepless nights, filled with memories, worries and longings to which many of us have come to be accustomed.

Even at the darkest moments, as in these months of pandemic, the Lord continues to send *angels* to console our loneliness and to remind us: "I am with you always". He says this to you, and he says it to me. That is the meaning of this Day, which I wanted to celebrate for the first time in this particular year, as a long period of isolation ends and social life slowly resumes. May every grandfather, every grandmother, every older person, especially those among us who are most alone, receive the visit of an *angel*! At times those angels will have the face of our grandchildren, at others, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us. How sad it makes me that in some places these are still not possible!

Never forget this. It makes no difference how old you are, whether you still work or not, whether you are alone or have a family, whether you became a grandmother or grandfather at a young age or later, whether you are still independent or need assistance. We are all indebted to one another. We can pray for one another.

As my predecessor, Pope_Benedict, himself a saintly elderly person who continues to pray and work for the Church, once_said: "the prayer of the elderly can protect the world, helping it perhaps more effectively than the frenetic activity of many others." He spoke those words in 2012, towards the end of his pontificate. There is something beautiful here. Your prayer is a very precious resource: a deep breath that the Church and the world urgently need.

Dear grandmother, dear grandfather, dear elderly friends, in concluding this Message to you, ... I would ask the Lord that all of us may open our hearts in sensitivity to the sufferings of the poor and intercede for their needs. May each of us learn to repeat to all, and especially to the young, the words of consolation we have heard spoken to us today: "I am with you always"! Keep moving forward! May the Lord grant you his blessing. Pope FRANCIS