



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Twenty second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

29 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

EUCCHARISTIC 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
☎ 9563 6780

✉ office@santglen.catholic.edu.au

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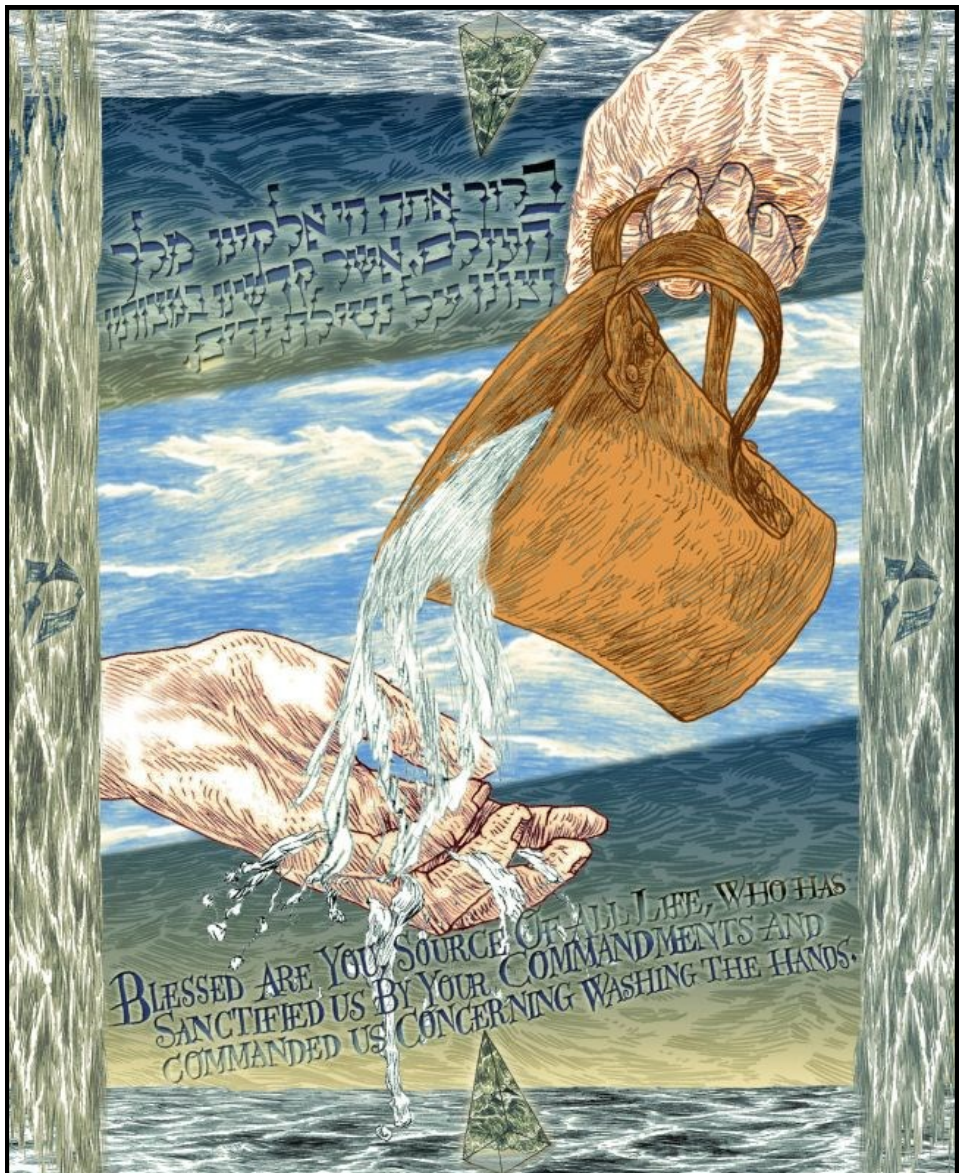
OUR SICK: Vivien

(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested).

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mary Nelson, Michael Coughlan

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Joseph Arathoon

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



**Ritual Washing of Hands Vs Hygienic Washing of Hands.
Which of these is more important ?**

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

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15. 21-23

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

The just will live in the presence of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

Next Sunday's Readings

Is 35:4-7; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

First Holy Communion Sunday.

No Date in sight.

Safeguarding INFORMATION NIGHT.

*We will come back to you with a date
ASAP.*



**Humanitarian
crises unfolding
in Afghanistan
and Lebanon**

In **Afghanistan**, people have been forced from their homes, with half of the population in urgent need of food, water, shelter and protection.

In **Lebanon**, the country is running out of power, water, fuel, medicine and food. Even hospitals are facing massive fuel shortages and will soon have to turn off the lights.

Please donate to Caritas Australia so that we are able to respond to crises like these.

Visit caritas.org.au/Lebanon or www.caritas.org.au/afghanistan or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support.

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

Next week, representatives of parishes in the southern region of the Melbourne Archdiocese will meet on Zoom. The meeting has three objectives:

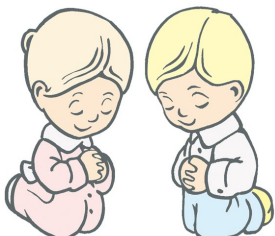
1. To pray for our Archdiocese and for the willingness and grace we need to more fully 'Take the Way of the Gospel' together and unleash our parishes' full potential to bring Christ's Good News into people's lives.
2. To discuss together some further detail about the notional Mission territories as a starting point for parish communities to begin to pray, discern, converse and explore.
3. To provide clear next steps for parish conversations and provide resources to assist with fruitful discernment and discussion.

Two representatives from each parish in the area will attend the meeting with their parish priest, in our case these are Father Leenus, Gwen Fitzgerald and Veronica Blair, who will report back to you as soon as possible.

Please keep this matter in your prayers and, if you have a specific question or comment, feel free to contact the Parish Office in writing.

Let us pray: Lord, we thank you for your presence as we start our Archdiocesan "Take the Way of the Gospel" journey together in prayer. May we open ourselves to you with a new depth of trust and conviction in your guiding hand, so that we may discern our journey with compassionate and humble hearts and come to know your Holy Spirit moving within and amongst us, and so be transformed. Amen.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.



Holy Mary, Mother of the Church. Pray for us.

St Patrick. Pray for us.

St Joseph. Pray for us.

St Anthony. Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Pray for us.

Want to know more?

Visit://melbournecatholic.org/about/mission

St Anthony's Parish Stewardship Offerings.

A big "thank you" to all who continue to support our regular Stewardship Program through your selfless offerings. On behalf of all our parishioners may we thank and appreciate each and everyone of you who continue to contribute electronically/through bank or using envelopes despite your enormous difficulties.

During COVID lockdown our Parish facilities are not being hired, except being used for Tony's Café. This is impacting on our Parish income. Unlike last year, this year we do not get the Jobseeker Support either. We continue to rely on the generous support of you, our Parishioners.

Those who are using the traditional method of Stewardship Envelops are most likely finding it hard to make the offerings during the lockdown times. It would be of much help if the users of Stewardship Envelops change over to other methods of making payments i.e. electronically/through bank. Below are our bank details.

St Anthony's Church Account

Bank: NAB, Account Name: St Anthony's Church

BSB: 083 347, Account: 657 570 315,

Description: Your Stewardship Number or Name & Surname

St Anthony's Presbytery Account

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If you would like to contribute via credit card or direct debit, please let us know by sending an email to glenhuntly@cam.org.au and we will email you a Stewardship Pledge card and/or Direct Debit Request Forms to be completed.

For those who govern and represent us

Eternal Wisdom,

guide our leaders called to serve us in our Nation and its States.

May they respond to the challenges of this affliction
with prudence and sound judgement.

With foresight, may their planning alleviate the economic burdens,
compensate for losses, protect employment
and ensure ample food for the poor and isolated.

Amen.

'Pondering Grief' (Reflection event via ZOOM)

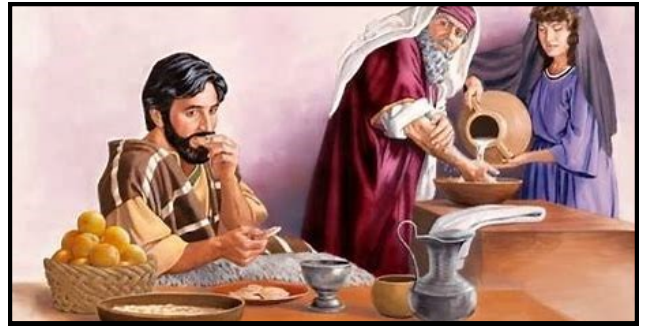
Saturday 4 September 2021, 10am-3.30pm (AEST). Facilitated by qualified Counsellor/ Supervisor/ Educator Linda Espie, this event provides the opportunity to reflect on and honor our inner life of change and transition. This workshop offers a limit of 10 participants. Cost \$60. Bookings and payment via Trybooking at <https://www.trybooking.com/BTQNX>.

For more information, contact Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation,
email secretary@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary time Year B,

Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus,

We always knew the importance of hygiene, but the ongoing pandemic has taught us to practice it now more than ever before. Similarly, we always knew the importance of rules and regulations that keep us protected, but now more than ever before we have learned to practice them.



What about Jesus, was he a promotor of rules and regulations? Or was he opposed to them and to the customs and traditions like that of washing of hands? Reading the Gospel of today one would think that Jesus was all against them. But didn't he also say elsewhere in the Gospels that he came to fulfill the law and not to abolish them?

He never said that the customs and traditions were altogether wrong. The type of 'washing of hands' Jesus was referring to was not the hygienic type of washing, but ritualistic type. So then, are the 'rituals' wrong according to Jesus? In fact Jesus gave importance to rituals too.

What Jesus opposed was people 'giving undue importance to rituals, customs and traditions, while they neglected matters of eternal importance. Jesus wants us to prioritise our preoccupations. While we carefully give importance to our bodily cleanliness and to worldly rules and regulations, we should also care to practice spiritual cleanliness and spiritual safety. If keeping ourselves away from the virus is detrimental, how much more detrimental is keeping ourselves away from the virus of sinfulness! Jesus seems to say that the best hygiene for us is to practice charity, compassion, righteousness, justice and peace.

There must be millions of customs and traditions through the different cultures in the world. They are to be appreciated and encouraged and even could be adapted unless they are opposed to our Christian faith. Jesus did respect them too. But there could also be customs and traditions that are silly and meaningless, embarrassing and frightening, weird and absurd, harmful and sinful. Keep away from such, as if from Delta variant COVID.

Similarly, there are probably millions of rules and regulations existing in the world of today. All of them may not have the same degree of importance. But if they are of any value at all, then at-least in some indirect way they must be born of the 10 Commandments, the basis of which is 'love'. Pope Francis often reminds us not to be so 'rigid' about rituals and customs and traditions. He wants us to mind the 'spirit of the law', that would make our lives more meaningful and joyful as well.

Keep Safe in every way.

Fr. Leenus

Another Act of Spiritual Communion

(written by St. Alphonsus Liguori)

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul.

*Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*As though You have already come,
I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be separated from You.*

Amen.

