



# The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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## First Sunday of Advent, Year B

3 December 2023

### PARISH PRIEST

Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

### IN RESIDENCE

Fr Patrick Jackson SAC  
Brother Lindsay Rust 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 to Saturday:  
Holy Rosary at 8.50am  
followed by Mass at 9.15am

### RECONCILIATION

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

### 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

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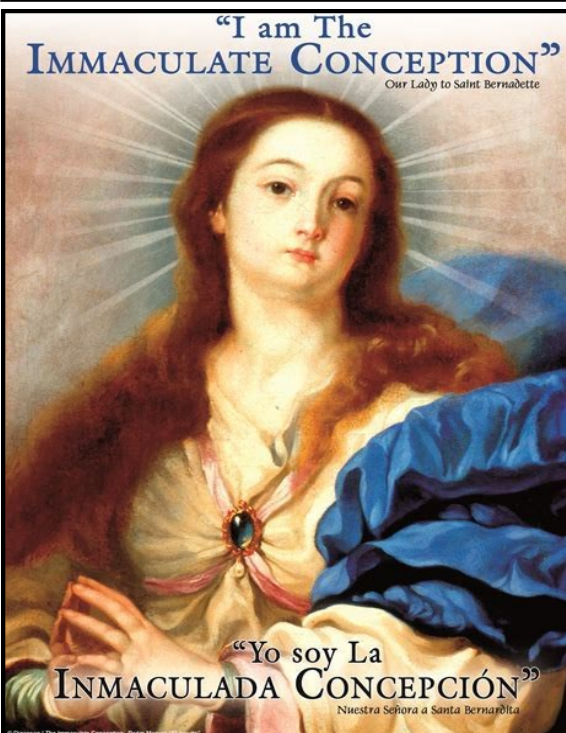
**OUR SICK:** Justin Thomas, Chrishanthi Pereira, Gemma, Remedios Patawaran, Sonya Delizo, Bev Chandler

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

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Gary Baum

**ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES:** Edward & Rose Chew, Teresa Bong, Michael & Muriel Boudville, Paul Vella, Barbara O'Sullivan, , Filomena Villamor Winnie Quek

IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY ON OUR EMAIL LIST AND WOULD LIKE TO SUBSCRIBE TO OUR FREE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE OR CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW:  
[WWW.MELBCATHOLIC.ORG/S/SUBSCRIPTION?ID=0012W00000LOJ5DAAT&REQ=SUBSCRIBE](http://WWW.MELBCATHOLIC.ORG/S/SUBSCRIPTION?ID=0012W00000LOJ5DAAT&REQ=SUBSCRIBE)

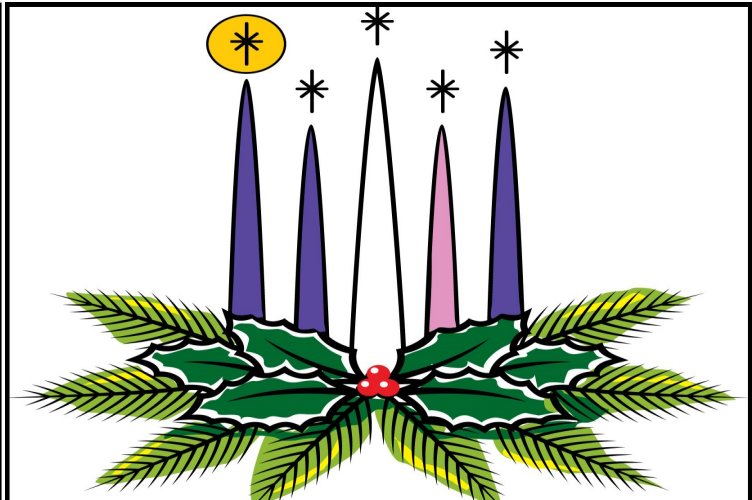


Solemnity of the  
Immaculate  
Conception of the  
Blessed  
Virgin Mary  
Friday 8 Dec

Mass  
at St Anthony's,  
Glen Huntly  
at 9.15am.

Mass  
at St Joseph's,  
Elsternwick  
at 10am.

First Sunday  
of Advent



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. The safety and wellbeing of all persons is our priority. Any feedback in relation to St Anthony's policies & practices for keeping children safe, please email: [glenhuntly@cam.org.au](mailto:glenhuntly@cam.org.au).

For more information on Safeguarding please visit: <https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding>

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame

### TODAY'S READINGS

Is 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8; Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19;  
1Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

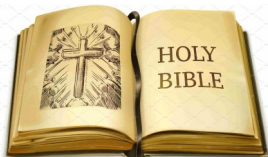
Is 40:1-5. 9-11; Ps 84:9-14; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

### Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Church Stewardship \$1,320  
Presbytery Stewardship \$ 894

Please note that in last week's newsletter the financial report mentioned 'Net Deficit' instead of 'Net Surplus'. Apologies for the confusion this may have caused.

**Please do not leave money in the Parish Letter Boxes.**  
Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Donations & Maintenance Income will be reported once a month



### Advent Scripture Reflection

"Advent Scripture Reflection" sessions will be held on Mondays, at St. Anthony's Church, from 7pm to 8pm.

The Sessions are prepared and will be conducted by Fr Pat and Team.

The sessions will also have references to the inspiring examples from the life of St Vincent Pallotti.

All Welcome!



### Sunday School

Sunday School for 2023 has now concluded. We thank the parents who faithfully sent their child for this important formation in their child's life. A Big thank you to the teachers too. Thank You!

## Liturgy Roster Dec 2-3

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	N Mudalige	S Pflieger	J Aranha
Sun 9am	P Rashad	Y Jo-Sumarna	R Meneaud
Sun 11am	L Kornjadi	K O'Sullivan	J Ferguson
Sun 5pm	E Sebastian	J Kirkham	N/A

## Liturgy Roster Dec 9-10

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	L Pereira	P Bates	R Aranha
Sun 9am	C Collins	Y Jo-Sumarna	B Meneaud
Sun 11am	K O'Sullivan	L Kornjadi	A Francis
Sun 5pm	J Kirkham	E Sebastian	N/A



## Columban Calendars & God's Word 2024

Now available in our Piety Stall.  
Columban Calendars: \$10 each.  
God's Word: \$20 each

## St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Hampers



St Vincent de Paul Society Glenhuntly is organising Christmas Hampers (non perishable items) for 51 families in this local area.

Donation can be left in the St Vincent de Paul box in the front of the church foyer.

Contact: Lorraine 0433 217 428 or  
Michael 0433 425 453

## Melbourne Overseas Mission Collection next Sunday 10 Dec



Melbourne Overseas Missions (MOM) provides assistance to developing countries with a commitment to the poor with strong objectives to encourage self-help, self-reliance, and enhance gender equality.

## Musicians/Singers wanted for Christmas Masses



We are looking for more voices and instruments. If you would like to play/sing we'd love to see you for practice in the church on Wednesday evenings at 7.30p.

## SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS WE ARE HERE TO HELP AND SUPPORT YOU!

In order to carry out ANY volunteer ministry for our parish, it is mandatory that you have a Working With Children Check (WWCC) and Safeguarding Training to be compliant with the Archdiocese Safeguarding requirements.

If you are experiencing any difficulty in doing the training or completing your WWCC please do not hesitate to contact the parish office (glenhuntly@cam.org.au).

Please click on the link below to complete your Mandatory Online training

<https://melbourncatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training-and-upcoming-events/safeguarding-training-modules/>

Please help our parish to be compliant!!

**Christmas Timetable 2023**  
 St. Anthony's Church, Glen Huntly  
 For updates visit our website: [pol.org.au/glenhuntly](http://pol.org.au/glenhuntly)

**2nd Rite of Reconciliation**  
 Tuesday 19 December 7pm

**Christmas Eve - Sunday 24 December**

Vigil Mass	Carols 6.10pm, Mass 6.30pm
Midnight Mass	Carols 11.40pm, Mass 12am

**Christmas Day - Monday 25 December**

Mass	9am, 11am
No Evening Mass on Christmas Day	


**New Year's Eve - Sunday 31 December**

Mass	11pm
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**New Year's Day - Monday 1 January**

Mass	9.15am
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**Happy Christmas & Blessings in the New Year**

**First/Second Rite of Reconciliation** 

Come one and all and make use of the special opportunity to reconcile with God and one another before Christmas!

The **2nd Rite of Reconciliation** will be at *St Anthony's Church* on Tuesday, 19th December at 7pm, and **1st Rite** at *St Joseph's Church* on Saturday, 23rd December 5.30pm to 6.20pm.

**Carols by Candlelight**  

Next Sunday, 10th December after 5pm Mass (till 9pm) at the Padua Pavilion (St Anthony's School Hall).

**We invite you to share your talent!**  
*We are looking for:*  
 Solo or group performances Christmas themed, approx. up to 5 minutes per performance  
 Music, singing, dancing (anything else?)  
*Best Santa outfit wins a prize!*  
 To register to perform please contact:  
**Holy Cross & St Joseph's:**  
 elsternwick@cam.org.au  
**St Anthony's:** veronica.blair@cam.org.au  
 Organising Committee:  
**St Anthony's:** Veronica Blair, Marita Dunphy,  
**Holy Cross:** Paul White and Christa Sumi  
**St Joseph's:** Joanna Lam.

**Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, Chadstone 3 December** 

Please support our church fund raiser this Sunday 3 December.


**Thank you to all the volunteers** who have helped out for all our Sausage Sizzles!

**Tony's Café**

Our last meal at Tony's Café for this year will be on Thursday 14 December 2023.

**St Anthony's School—Dates to Note**

**Carols Night: Monday 11 December**  
 5.30pm BBQ sausage sizzle available or BYO dinner followed by Carols at 6.30pm  
**Year End Mass: Friday 15 December**  
 9.15am Mass followed by Leaders Ceremony  
 All Welcome

**St Anthony's Glen Huntly Christmas Day Takeaway Dinner 2023** 

Christmas is a time when families come together to celebrate the Birth of Christ. Sometimes this can be difficult, especially due to a rise in COVID cases. As a result, we will be offering a traditional Christmas Day **TAKEAWAY** Dinner, available for collection at St Anthony's Hall between 12pm and 1.30pm on Christmas Day. Or, if you live locally and are not able to come and collect a meal, we are happy to deliver to you at home.



If you would like to enjoy a delicious meal, please fill out a **yellow** invitation. If you know someone else who would like a meal, pass this invitation on to them. If you would like to help with the Christmas Dinner, please fill out a **green** form.

Both **yellow** and **green** forms can be collected from the doors of the church, or at St Anthony's Parish Hall, 164 Neerim Rd, Caulfield East or at the front door of the Parish House, 74 Grange Road.

All completed forms can be returned via email: [stanthony.christmasdinner@gmail.com](mailto:stanthony.christmasdinner@gmail.com) or left at the following locations:

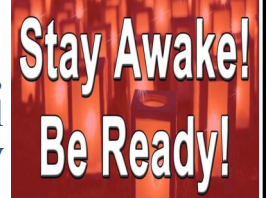
**Tony's Café at St Anthony's Hall:** 164 Neerim Rd, Caulfield East.  
 Tuesdays: 12.30pm—1.30pm and Thursdays: 3pm—5.30pm  
**St Anthony's Parish House:** 74 Grange Rd, Glen Huntly  
 (in an envelope marked *Christmas Dinner*).

For more information please contact us on 9401 6336 or 0432 087 494



## 1st Sunday of Advent, Year B



*Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus,* Jesus wants us to live in the present, because Jesus not only “had come” 2000 years ago; He not only “will come” in the future; but He “ever comes” in our present time. That’s why today’s readings speak also about “STAYING AWAKE” at all times.

“Staying awake” is not to be understood as the opposite of “going to sleep”. Much more, it means “Being vigilant” and “Being alert”. More than “staying awake physically”, Jesus wants us to “stay awake spiritually.” That is to say, ‘a spiritual awakening’ of our lives is called for during this liturgical season of Advent. It is to be noted that “the spiritual awakening” of our lives is not something that can be put off for a later date.

Our moral failings should be ‘dealt with’ at the earliest. When the Lord comes, whatever may be unacceptable to Him shall not be found in our lives: and whatever may be pleasing to Him should be filling our lives. “Staying awake” is ‘actively looking for the opportunities to serve, to do good works, to reconcile, to make amends and avoid all wrong choices. Being awake is to look for different ways to grow in intimacy with the Lord and make spiritual progress daily.



The Bible reminds us that, anyone who wants to make spiritual progress is bound to be at war with the enemy. And if we are at war we cannot but be alert; just like the soldiers are alert and watchful always. St. Peter in his letter (1 Peter 5:8) says, “Be alert and watch out! Your enemy, the devil is roaming around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to eat. Stand firm in your faith and resist him”.

Let us then, take advantage of the present moment and stay awake to welcome Jesus into our lives in the here and now... *Wishing everyone a Happy New Liturgical Year!*

Parish Events	Where	When
Choir Practice	St Anthony’s Church	On Wednesdays at 7.30pm
Sunday School	Parish House/The Glen 74 Grange Rd, Carnegie	School Term recommences 2024. Date to be confirmed.
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Church & School	School Term, every Sunday at 11am Mass
Improve or Learn English	Parish Hall (164 Neerim Rd)	Every Tuesday 10.30am—12.30pm
St Anthony's Playgroup	St Anthony's School	School Term, every Wednesday 9—10.30am
St Anthony’s School Enrolments	St Anthony’s School	Contact 9563 6780
Tony's Café	Parish Hall (164 Neerim Rd)	Take away meals only Tue: 12.30—1.30pm & Thu: 3—5.30pm
Al-Anon	The Glen (behind Parish House)	Tuesdays 7—9.30pm & Wednesdays 6.30—9pm
Legion of Mary	St Anthony’s Church	Every Friday after 9.15am Mass
St Vincent de Paul	The Glen (behind Parish House)	First Sunday of the month 3—4pm
Sacre Coeur Prayer Group	The Glen (behind Parish House)	Every Friday 7.30—9pm
Baptism Preparation	St Anthony’s Church	Every 2nd Friday of the month at 7pm. Email/Contact the Parish Office

**Teacher:** *If I gave you 2 puppies and 2 puppies and 2 puppies, how many puppies would you have?* **Little Johnny:** 7.

**Teacher:** *Wrong, I will put it differently, listen carefully, ‘If I gave you 2 kittens and 2 kittens and 2 kittens, how many kittens would you have?* **Little Johnny:** 6.

**Teacher:** *That’s right; so, now, if I gave you 2 puppies and 2 puppies and 2 puppies, how many puppies would you have?* **Little Johnny:** 7.

**Teacher:** *Wrong, where do you get the 7 from?*

**Little Johnny:** *Because, I already have a puppy at home.*

