



The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

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Third Sunday of Advent Year C

12 December 2021

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Leenus Neetany SAC

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Shobha Thomas
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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

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OUR SICK: Vivien, Philomena Liew, John Leonard, Claire & Bryan Rashad
(Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested).

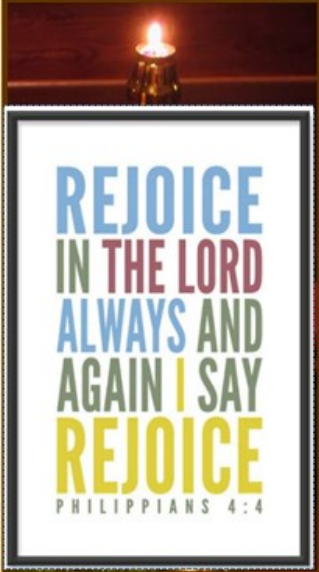
RECENTLY DECEASED: Edele Lim S.K, Giovanna (Nina) Torr , Sr Beatrice Fernandes RGM

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Candida Gomez

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


ADVENT FEATURE

GAUDETE SUNDAY



The Third Sunday of Advent is called *Gaudete Sunday*, the day when we light the pink candle on the Advent wreath (hence the 'pink candle' Sunday). Rose vestments are worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near. Gaudete means "rejoice". This day reminds us of the joy that is to come, and serves, amid this season of penance, as a kind of 'break' when we recall the hope we have because of the coming of Our Lord Jesus.

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS AND AGAIN I SAY REJOICE
PHILIPPIANS 4:4

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**2nd Rite of Reconciliation
Monday, 20th Dec. 2021 at 7pm.
St. Anthony's Church, Glen Huntly.**

There will be at least 4 priests available then. Please come on time and be part of the preparatory session followed by Individual Confessions.

Welcome one and all

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

Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say,
rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

Today's Readings

Zep 3:14-18; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Responsorial Psalm

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the
great and Holy One of Israel.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

Next Sunday's Readings

Mi 5:1-4; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Income

Church Stewardship	\$ 960
Presbytery Stewardship	\$ 550
Deaf Appeal	\$ 607

Maintenance Expenses for November

ADT Security	\$ 55
Electricity & Gas	\$ 443
Gardening	\$ 360
Insurance	\$ 3,121
Council Rates	\$ 1,282
Locksmith/Master Key	\$ 953
Total Maintenance Expenses for November	\$ 4,932

Credit Card/Direct Debit/EFT, Venue Hire, Donations &
Maintenance Income: These will be reported once a month.

Liturgy Roster—December 11-12

Sat. 6pm—J D'Souza

Sun. 9am—C Collins & 11am—L Kornadi

Sun. 5pm—P Bates

Liturgy Roster—December 18-19

Sat. 6pm—L Pereira

Sun. 9am—M Dwyer & 11am—K Campitelli

Sun. 5pm—P Bates

2022 Columban Calendars

2022 Calendars now at the Piety Stall—\$10 each.

Thank you for the TV for the refugee family

A big thank you to the donor for donating the TV.

Office Closure (24 Dec.—24 Jan.)

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from 24 December to 24 January (inclusive). Any urgent enquiries please ring the Parish Office 9401 6336. Messages will be checked frequently.

Christmas Day Dinner

Bookings and offers of help are coming in steadily. Please circulate the yellow invitations, and consider how you can help. Remember to bring your donations soon. Set up of the Hall on Sunday 19 December at 12 noon.

Tony's Cafe Care Packs will be made up on Tuesday and distributed on Thursday. We are still short of combs and hair brushes, shampoo and conditioner and toothbrushes. Please leave your donations at the Parish House during the weekend or on Monday in the box provided near the front door.

Tony's Café Holidays

After remaining open since February 2020, Tony's Cafe volunteers will have a well-earned rest after Christmas. Our last formal meal for 2021 will be served on Thursday 16th December. After the Christmas Dinner on 25th, and cleaning up during the following week, we will have a break until 1st February. Thank you to the many, many volunteers who have done such a great job during the COVID years. May God bless you all and reward you with a safe and happy holiday. See you next year. Gwen.

Stars in the church

Make your own stars to welcome Jesus. Hang them on the walls inside the Church with Blu-Tac.

Christmas Choir Practice

Every Wednesday at 7.30 in the church. all singers and instrumentalists welcome. Any parents of school age children who would like to form part of the choir should contact veronica.blair@cam.org.au to arrange a day-time practice.

Advent Scripture Reflection: Tuesday at 7pm at St Anthony's Church. All Welcome.

SAFEGUARDING REQUIREMENTS

In order to be compliant with the Safeguarding Requirements, all our Volunteers, Employees and Clergy, need to provide our Parish Office with their Signed copy of the Code of Conduct, Working With Children Check, Vaccination Certificate and for some Police Check as well.



Christmas Timetable 2021

St. Anthony's, Glen Huntly.



For updates see our website: pol.org.au/glenhuntly

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ALL COVID PROTOCOLS TO BE FOLLOWED, INCLUDING THE USE OF FACE MASKS

CHRISTMAS VIGIL

Friday 24 Dec.	For Unknown Vaccinated	For Fully Vaccinated
Family Mass	Nil	Carols 6.10pm, Mass 6.30pm
Vigil Mass	Carols 9.10pm, Mass 9.30pm	Carols 11.40pm, Mass 12am

CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday 25 Dec.	For Unknown Vaccinated	For Fully Vaccinated
Carols & Mass	Carols 8.40am, Mass 9am	Carols 10.40am, Mass 11am
Sat. Vigil Mass	Nil	Nil

NEW YEAR VIGIL

Friday 31 Dec.	For Unknown Vaccinated	For Fully Vaccinated
Solemnity of Mother of God Mass	11pm	Nil

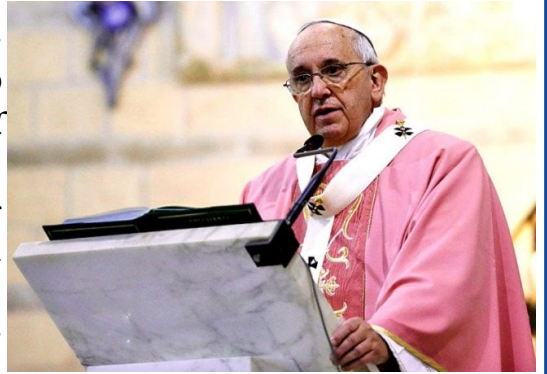
NEW YEAR DAY

Saturday 1 Jan.	For Unknown Vaccinated	For Fully Vaccinated
Solemnity of Mother of God Mass	9.15am	Sat. Vigil 6pm

3rd Sunday of Advent, Year C
A Homily by Pope Francis, preached on 16/12/2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

On this third Sunday of Advent, the liturgy invites us to joy. Listen carefully: to joy. The prophet Zephaniah addresses these words to a small group of the people of Israel: “Sing aloud, O Daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem!” (3:14) Shout with joy, rejoice, exult: this is this Sunday’s invitation. The inhabitants of the Holy City are called to rejoice because the Lord has taken away his judgments against them (cf v. 15). God has forgiven, he did not wish to punish! As a result the people no longer have any reason for sadness. There is no longer reason for desolation,



but rather, everything leads to joyful gratitude toward God who always wishes to deliver and save those he loves. And the Lord’s love for his people is endless, tantamount to the tenderness of a father for his children, of a groom for his bride, as Zephaniah again says: “he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing” (v. 17). This is — so it is called — the Sunday of joy: the third Sunday of Advent, before Christmas.

This appeal by the prophet is particularly appropriate during the Season in which we are preparing ourselves for Christmas, because it can be applied to Jesus, the Emmanuel, the God-with-us: his presence is the wellspring of joy. Indeed, Zephaniah proclaims: “The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst”, and a little later he repeats: “The Lord your God is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory” (vv. 15, 17). This message finds its full meaning in the moment of the Annunciation to Mary, narrated by the evangelist Luke. The words addressed to the Virgin by the Angel Gabriel are like an echo of those of the prophet. What does the Archangel Gabriel say? “Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you! (Lk 1:28). He tells Our Lady to “Rejoice”. In an isolated hamlet of Galilee, in the heart of a young woman unknown to the world, God kindles the spark of happiness for the entire world. And today, the same announcement is addressed to the Church, called to receive the Gospel so that it may become flesh, concrete life. He says to the Church, to all of us: “Rejoice, little Christian community, poor and humble but beautiful in my eyes because you ardently desire my Kingdom, you hunger and thirst for justice, you patiently weave the fabric of peace, you do not pursue the powerful of the moment but remain faithfully beside the poor. And thus you fear nothing but your heart is in joy”. If we live like this, in the presence of the Lord, our heart will always be in joy — when there is ‘high-level’, full joy, and the humble everyday joy, which is peace. Peace is the smallest joy, but it is joy.

Saint Paul, too, exhorts us today to have no anxiety, to have no despair about anything, but rather, in every circumstance, to make our requests, our needs, our worries known to God “by prayer and supplication” (Phil 4:6). The awareness that we can always turn to the Lord in our difficulties, and that he never rejects our invocations, is a great reason for joy. No worry, no fear will ever be able to take away this serenity which comes not from human things, from human comforts, no: the serenity that comes from God, from knowing that God lovingly guides our lives, and he always does so. Even in the midst of problems and suffering, this certainty fosters hope and courage.

Pope Francis 16 Dec. 2018

Masses, when Double Vaccination Proof asked
Saturday 6pm; Sunday 9am & 11am.
Mask to be worn if more than 130 people.

Masses, when Vaccination status not asked.
Mon. to Sat. 9.15am; and Sunday 5pm
Maximum number of attendees: 50 people.