

The Parish of Saint Anthony Glen Huntly

Second Sunday of Lent, Year B

25 February 2024

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 St Anthony's Church Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday: 9am, 11am, 5pm St Joseph's Elsternwick Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm Sunday: 10.30am Holy Cross Caulfield South Sunday: 9am

WEEKDAY MASSES St Anthony's Church Monday to Saturday: 9.15am (Holy Rosary at 8.50am) St Joseph's, Elsternwick Friday: 10am Holy Cross, Caulfield South Thursday: 10am

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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Saturday 9.45am -10.15am

Adoration, Rosary & Novena to Perpetual Help Wednesday 6.40pm

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS Contact/email the Parish Office

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/email 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:** Lyn Read, Samantha Hind, Elliott Bradley, Glen Arathoon, Oliver Arendtsz, Remedios Patawaran (*Names of the sick will be published for a month, unless otherwise requested*)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anthony Maher

ANNIVERSARIES & REMEMBRANCES: Carmel McGrath, Dorothy Collins, Shaji Abraham, Noel Cecelia, Chandrawathie Mendis

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



TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

"The transfiguration of Jesus is a wondrous event that reveals the divine glory hidden within humanity." – Pope Francis

Stations of the Cross in Lent St Anthony's , Fridays after 9.15am and 7pm Masses Holy Cross, Thursdays after 10am Mass. St Joseph's, Fridays after 10am Mass.

LITURGY OF THE WORD ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

TODAY'S READINGS

Gen 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18; Ps 115:10. 15-19;

Rom 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10 Responsorial Psalm

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Ex 20:1-17; Ps 18:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Last Week's Stewardship Collections (loose & envelopes)

Church Stewardship Presbytery Stewardship \$1,595 \$877

Due to recent thefts, please <u>do not</u> leave money in the Parish Letter

Project Compassion Boxes



Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are now

available in the Church Foyer. Your contribution goes to Caritas Australia this Lent to help support vulnerable people around the world!

You can also donate:

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Educators Commissioning Mass 11am this Sunday

This Sunday 25 February at the 11am Mass, St. Anthony's Primary School Staff, Sunday School Catechists and Children Liturgy Leaders will be commissioned

Please pray for those who hand on the faith and knowledge to our children.

May St Anthony intercede for our Educators!

Sunday School Helpers

Have you ever thought about helping in the Sunday School? We have a great team of catechists who sometimes need an extra pair of hands. This could involve helping with the sign-in at the start, assisting with an activity or taking a small group. If you can help, please contact Veronica Blair via

the parish email or phone. Many thanks.

Liturgy Roster Feb 24-25				
Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister	
Sat 6pm	C Hampson	N Mudalige	R Aranha	
Sun 9am	F De Marte	C Collins	M Woon	
Sun 11am	M Anthony	J Wong	J Ferguson	
Sun 5pm	J Kirkham	E Sebastian	N/A	

Liturgy Roster Mar 2-3

Mass	Lector	Commentator	Sp Minister
Sat 6pm	N Mudalige	S Pfleger	J Aranha
Sun 9am	P Rashad	Y Jo-Sumarna	R Meneaud
Sun 11am	L Korniadi	L Shelton	J Ferguson
Sun 5pm	E Sebastian	J Kirkham	N/A

Rite of Election 18 Feb

Almost 1,000 people gathered on Sunday 18 February at St Patrick's Cathedral for the annual Rite of Election. This is a significant step for those participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) and preparing to receive the sacraments of initiation at Easter.

From Glen Huntly we had 2 participants, Sean and Regelyn. They are currently receiving instruction and are looking forward to the Easter Vigil, during which they will enter into full Communion with the Church. Sean and Regelyn usually attend 5pm Mass so please say hello when you see them.

World Day of Prayer

This ecumenical gathering will be held on Friday 1st March at 1pm at St Agnes Anglican Church, 114 Booran Road, Glen Huntly

The Prayer has been prepared by the women of Palestine with the theme: "I Beg You... Bear With One Another in Love" Ephesians 4:1-3

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March.

The movement aims to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer

fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year.

Choir Practice

Choir Practices for Easter have now begun on Wednesday nights in the church, from 7.30-8.30pm.



Instrumentalists are also welcome.

Receiving Holy Communion at the presence of the Minister



In recent weeks there have been some instances of a person not consuming the Consecrated Host immediately after receiving it on the hand, instead, they consume it as they keep walking or after returning to their seats. Please note that this practice is not permitted.

The General Instruction of the Holy Missal makes this quite clear.

"As soon as the communicant receives the host, he or she consumes the whole of it." (General Instruction of the Roman Missal 161)

Please make sure that you are mindful of this instruction, both for yourself, your children and others as well.

Sunday School Resumes



Sunday School has resumed for the year. Every Sunday at 10am at the

Parish House, 74 Grange Rd. Sunday School provides a general Catholic Education for all children, including Sacramental preparation. For more information, contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy Resumes Children's Liturgy has resumed.



Every Sunday during the 11am Mass.

Parents are welcome to accompany their children. For more information, contact the Parish Office.

Youth Encounter Sunday 25 Feb, 4.30-7.30pm



An unforgettable evening at

St Christopher's Parish, 5 Doon Ave, Syndal for high school students to encounter Jesus Christ with prayer, fellowship, food, and fun. Dinner Provided! Enquiries Emma Bakker 9926 5761 Emma Bakker

Lenten Scripture Reflection Sessions



Every Monday during Lent, Fr Pat will conduct reflection sessions from 7pm—8pm at St Anthony's, Glen Huntly. All welcome!

Good Friday Appeal Fundraiser 17 March



Cake stall, second hand items (in good condition), games for everyone, colouring competition. Keep the date.

St Anthony's School Enrolments 2025

Enrol NOW for 2025 School Tours

Tue 27 February: 9.00am - 11.00am *Wed 6 and Tue 19 March*: 9.00am - 11.00am

OR OTHER DATES BY APPOINTMENT

Contact 9563 6780 to make a booking for a school tour.



Pilgrimage Walk

Sunday 3rd March, starting at 1pm at St Anthony's Church, Glen Huntly. The walk this year is about 4 km and the weather is set to be cloudy and warm, at least at this stage.

Together with our sister parishes we are focussing on the Stations of the Cross.

Please BYO lunch, water, hat and sun screen. Transport is available in the parish van for those who might find the route too long.

Please ring or email the Parish Office to reserve a seat.

11am: Mass at St Anthonys for those who wish.

12-1pm: Lunch outside the church. Please BYO food. Tea and coffee provided.

1pm: Introductory prayer and blessing. Stations of the Cross 1 and 2 at St Anthony's

1.30pm: Walk to Holy Cross Church via Neerim Rd.2.8 km

2.20pm: Arrive at Holy Cross Church 707 Glen Huntly Rd

2.30pm: Stations of the Cross 3 - 8

3pm: Walk to St Josephs Church Elsternwick 1.4 km

3.30pm: Arrive at S Josephs, 71 Orrong Rd.

3.35pm: Stations of the Cross 9 - 14

4.15pm: Refreshments.

Everyone is welcome to walk, run, scoot or cycle the route.

CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULT SUPERVISION

Safeguarding Children and Young People

All children and young people who come to our parish have a right to feel and be safe.

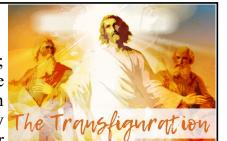
The welfare of the children and young people in our care will always be our first priority and we have a ZERO tolerance for any form of abuse.

For more information on Safeguarding: melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding

2nd Lenten Sunday, Year B

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus.

There is always something special about mountain tops; something spiritual about being there. It's like being in the presence of God. Peter, James and John had the amasing vision of the Transfiguration of Jesus on top of a mountain. There they The Transfiguration also had the vision of Moses and Elijah and could hear a clear



voice of the heavenly Father; All these in one place and at one time. Peter wanted to remain in that heavenly experience for ever. He didn't want to come down. But in a few moments, all these disappear and the next words of Jesus were "let's go down".

Jesus had good reasons to leave the mountain top and come down to the valley, to the reality of life. There was a demon-possessed boy down in the valley. Jesus heals the boy. The majesty of God is now experienced down in the valley too. If they had not come down from the mountain top, the suffering of the boy would have continued. The majesty of God would not have been experienced in the valley.



Jesus wants to be with us in our every life situation. Not only where everything is nice and neat; not only when we are at our best. But whenever and wherever the people are suffering and in need of relief, we can experience the presence of God almost in a tangible way.

But then, if the reality of ministry is waiting down in the valley, why climb the mountain at all? Down in the valley of life aren't there hungry to be fed, Jobs to be done, sick to be cared for, sorrowful to be consoled? Why did Jesus and his disciples take this time away from

their busy schedule and go up the mountain? And why do we take our valuable time out and go to church? Why don't we understand that work is worship?

Jesus knew that the disciples needed to see for themselves that there was more to Jesus than meets the eye. This vision was also meant to strengthen the disciples' faith, and to prepare them for the difficult days ahead. We too need times set apart to be with God in prayer, because we too have rough roads to travel in our lives.

Many of us spend our daily lives in the valley of toil and hardship; of loneliness and helplessness. When we are at our worst, may the mountain-top experience of the Transfiguration of Jesus give us hope and courage, especially during this season of Lent.

Parish Events	Where	When	
Choir Practice	St Anthony's Church	Wednesdays at 7.30pm.	
Sunday School	Parish House/The Glen 74 Grange Rd, Carnegie	During School Term. Every Sunday at 10am.	
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Church & School	During 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	During 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	
Legion of Mary	St Anthony's Church	Every Friday after 9.15am Mass	
St Vincent de Paul	Parish House	Every 1st Tuesday of the month at 7pm	
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	

So that, he can tell his spouse that he forgets their wedding anniversary only once every four years.